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REDS HURL HUGE ARMY AT SHANGHAI'S GATES

Spirited Fighting Over Three Perimeter Towns HANKOW'S EVACUATION

Shanghai, May 11.

The Communists today threw 200,000 troops at the gates of Shanghai in their long-awaited opening of the offensive to take the biggest city in China.

An official communique of the Shanghai Garrison Headquarters reported a big push opened last night in a two-pronged drive from points 30 miles West of Shanghai.

Three Red armies were reported locked in a struggle with the Nationalist defenders and are being met by government war planes operating from two fields within the Shanghai defence perimeter. The perimeter extends around the embattled city in a semi-circle 30 miles to the West and approximately 60 miles to the South West.

Garrison Headquarters here announced there still was no information at 10.30 a.m. today on progress of the fighting for Kunshan 30 miles to the West and its sister defence post, Taichang, a few miles North East of Kunshan.

This morning's brief communique said merely that the Chinese air force was "bolstering defence of Shanghai."

Attack On Kashi

The Shanghai military command announced today that the main force of the Communist troops which last week occupied Kunshan, 20 miles South West, began attacks last night under cover of heavy artillery bombardment on the suburbs of Kashi.

The military command said the government troops were "holding fast to their positions, repeatedly pushed back desperate assaults and never yielded an inch of ground. However, at dawn today, the tele-communication networks were destroyed due to heavy fighting and the city lost its contact with outside."

If the Nationalists withdrew from Kashi, it would mean further shortening of the operating section of the Shanghai-Hankow railway and bring the Reds 20 miles closer to Shanghai from the South West—approximately to a point 60 miles away. However, there is always a chance that Nationalist reinforcements would arrive in time to relieve the situation or check the Red advance.

North Of Kiating

According to last night's Garrison Command communique, a short but bitter clash was fought North of Kiating, about 25 miles North West of Shanghai and resulted in the Reds being driven off Northward.

The communique also claimed the situation was now quiet around Lushu, 22 miles North of Shanghai and 15 miles West of Wusong forts.

The Weather

At 0800 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) pressure is generally low over SE Asia, with a depression centre over W China, a ridge from the Pacific anticyclone extends SW to the Philippines.

Today's Forecast: Moderate SW wind, weather clear with occasional squalls, showers this morning, becoming fair. Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 88.8 deg. Feh. Minimum 74.8 deg. Feh. Rainfall 2.3 hours.

Rainfall 2.3 hours. Total wind speed Jan. 1-307.0 mm. 1548 in. as shown on average of 88.8 mm. 3.5 in.

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Fu Commits Suicide

Canton, May 11.

General Fu, one of the Nationalist commanders of North China, has been reliably reported to have committed suicide. Reports from a reliable source with connections in Peking, said General Fu had been advised to do away with himself by Red leaders, after a futile attempt to escape into Nationalist territory.—Associated Press.

to make a stand at Chuchow, strategic rail hub 30 miles South of Changsha, according to airline pilots returning to Canton today. The fleet reported the Nationalist troops were building up large concentrations there after pulling out of Hankow, Chukow, junction of the Canton-Hankow and Chekiang-Kiangsi railways, it defended would halt temporarily, at least—any Communist advance along the railways from the North or East.

General Fu himself is still at Canton, where he has been holding a series of military conferences with other Army officials since last night. The non-combatant units of his headquarters have been evacuated from Hankow to Lingling and Kiyang.

Members of the Central Government in Canton are again talking of evacuating the city, either to Fochow or Kweliang, although nothing concrete has so far been done.

Five charter planes, said to be loaded with silver, took off for Chungking, indicating some organs of the government are planning to flee there. A number of families of government officials have already gone to Hong Kong.—Associated Press and United Press.

"Guardian's" Comments

London, May 11.

The "Manchester Guardian" editorialised that it is necessary for British prestige that it keep Hong Kong. The editorial continued:

"The best hope lies in both the Communists and the British agreeing to do nothing by which the face of either side is compromised. We and the Chinese Communists must agree that it will benefit each side to leave the other alone."

"Communist China has much to lose by refusing trade and a normal political relationship with the West. It must be shown that Hong Kong is internationally useful and that, if incorporated in China, it would quickly lose its importance."—Associated Press.

MORE RECRUITS FOR HKDF

Some 40 to 60 more recruits were added to the Hong Kong Defence Force at Headquarters yesterday when the volunteers gathered for their appointment with medical officers.

Arriving at HQ shortly after 11 p.m. the boys were driven to Queen Mary Hospital in small groups. There they underwent X-ray screening. Then they were returned to HQ for physical check-up.

Those attending at HQ yesterday were citizens of different nationalities and ranging in age.

Princess Goes For A Swim



These two pictures, from the private beach of "Saracen's Towers," Capri residence of an American, Mrs. George Corio, show Princess Margaret after swimming from the beach during her visit to Capri. In the first picture her Gentleman-in-Waiting, Major Thomas Harvey, assists her over the rocks to the sea. In the second picture, she is assisted by Major Harvey and the boatman into a small rowing boat. (AP Pictures).



BRITISH PROPERTY DAMAGED

Widespread damage to property around Shanghai, including many British-owned residences, was reported here today by recent arrivals from the Communist-threatened financial capital of China. Many villages were said to have been demolished and many of the best residences on the Western outskirts have been occupied, some forcibly, by Nationalist soldiers.

An elaborate system of defences has been built in slushy-down gardens and beautiful grounds of the homes of some of the biggest business names in China.

Most of the owners regarded it as useless destruction and considered that the Nationalists will make no serious attempt to resist the Communists when they want to take Shanghai.

In addition to causing damage, the Nationalists were denying free access to the city and were confiscating property without so much as a requisition order, the recent arrivals said.

One arrival said today that it was felt that the Government's friendly with the Nationalist regime might make representations on behalf of the nationalists. Immediate compensation should be claimed for the damage already done and assurances sought that the rights of property owners would be respected in future.—Reuter.

Spitfire Squadron Coming To HK

Singapore, May 11.

The No. 28 Spitfire Squadron, under the command of Squadron Leader R. D. Yule, took off this morning on a 2,300-mile, three-day, flight to Hong Kong, via Sarawak, Borneo and the Philippines.

The Squadron is going to Hong Kong to reinforce the colony's defences. Supporting the flight are two Mosquitoes, two Dakotas and one Sunderland flying boat, while Dakotas, conveying the Squadron's ground personnel, also left Singapore this morning, flying direct to Hong Kong.

Official sources in London today said the British Government did not anticipate any full-scale attack on Hong Kong despite the approach of Communist troops. The sources said the Government recognised that the chief danger to Hong Kong was the possibility of internal disturbances by "rebellious elements" and the British garrison was being reinforced as a police measure.

"There is no question of the 6,000 troops, which will constitute the Hong Kong garrison after reinforcements have arrived, being expected to defend the colony from full-scale military attack, which in any case we have no cause to anticipate," said the sources.—Reuter and United Press.

Two Sampan, One Junk Sunk In Gale

A sudden "attack" by strong westerly winds which reached 58 m.p.h. (Force 10) around mid-day caught small craft in the harbour unaware yesterday, sinking two sampans and a junk. Except for the loss of personal belongings and ship chandlery, there was no loss of life. The personnel were rescued by patrolling Marine Department launches.

From 7 a.m. winds of 20 m.p.h. caused great concern among the floating traffic, which had not received any advance local warning. Coming from South South West, the winds increased in velocity towards midday, reaching a maximum of 58 m.p.h.

The first accident occurred near the Wing Lok Wharf at about 9.15 a.m. when a sampan mistress reported the sinking of her craft. No one was injured. She lost a quantity of her personal effects, but recovered the majority of her craft's accessories.

Assistant Marine Officer M.L. Lawrence, in charge of M.D. Launch 2 arrived in the nick of time to rescue four men and a passenger, Mr. Koo Wang-lung of 90 Gloucester Road, when a sampan capsized near the Star Ferry Kowloon Pier at about 10.30 a.m.

A sudden gust of wind caught the craft as it was passing the Pier en route to the Yumai Typhoon Shelter. A motor launch, stationed at the Water Police Pier, helped in salvaging the capsized craft in heavy winds and rain. The M.D. Launch towed the sampan to the Police Pier, where the rescued men were taken to the Water Police Station. The crew and passenger lost all their belongings.

At about 11 a.m. when the winds were increasing rapidly, a Marine Department tug was sent to Shamshuipo to rescue five junks and two sampans, which were being severely buffeted against the Praya wall.

A junk rank, there was no loss of life except for the virtually complete loss of property aboard the craft.

The other craft were towed to the Yumai Typhoon Shelter, without serious damage.

None Injured

None of the personnel aboard suffered injury despite the rough treatment by the sudden gusts. Aberdeen Harbour, which is exposed to westerly winds, was the scene of confusion among the floating traffic for about three hours. The small craft suffered great inconvenience but only negligible damage during severe buffeting against one another when sudden gusts caught them unawares.

There have been no reports of casualties among them. The wind reached 60 m.p.h. in Aberdeen Harbour during the three-hour onslaught.

Assistant Marine Officer F. Robertson, in charge of the Aberdeen Station, was on patrol during the storm but reported no accident.

The Colony was "drenched" from 3 a.m. with rainfall heaviest at 5 a.m. (6.2 mm.) and 9 a.m. (4.0 mm.). A total of 23.2 mm. of rain was recorded from 2 a.m. to midday yesterday.

The weather changed suddenly at noon, when the sun came out weakly only to be shrouded again by thick cumulus.

TIME RIFE FOR TOWN PLANNING IN HONG KONG

(EXCLUSIVE TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

"I think the time is now ripe for town planning in Hong Kong; any further delay in implementing the recommendations of Sir Patrick Abercrombie would be holding up development in the Colony," said Mr. John W. Dark, town planning expert, in his exclusive Press interview in Hong Kong with the "China Mail" yesterday.

Mr. Dark, who has been sent out from London to assist in the preparation of the development plan recommended in Sir Patrick's report, said the first step that would have to be taken was the passing of legislation along the lines of the Town and Planning Act of 1947, as without adequate legal powers nothing could be done.

He was confident that leading members of the community in Hong Kong were sympathetic towards this development scheme and would give it all the support it required.

Comparing Hong Kong to Middlesex 15 years ago, Mr. Dark said, like Middlesex then, Hong Kong was on the verge of being highly industrialised, because it had the labour and the trade.

He was speaking from his experience, as senior planning officer in the county council of Middlesex, and also as chief assistant planning officer in the county planning of East Ham. Both of these were highly industrialised.

Asked what his views were of Hong Kong from a town planning point of view, Mr. Dark said this could be summed up in a few phrases—beautiful scenery, an interesting and industrious people, nature at its best, some good buildings, and an atmosphere of tremendous vitality.

Two Main Defects

But on the other hand we had large areas of urban blight—slum conditions and almost complete lack of town planning along modern lines. But because of these defects this was a place of great opportunity from a town planner's point of view, added Mr. Dark.

"I believe it could be made into the most beautiful city in the world if its normal development was guided along proper lines."

Asked what he meant by proper lines, Mr. Dark said he visualised the implementation of Sir Patrick Abercrombie's preliminary report which was completed some six or nine months ago but which had not been considered by Government. Implementation of Sir Patrick's plan should be in Mr. Dark's opinion proceed by the following stages:

First, publication of the report with appropriate comments by Government and an indication of policy which Government would pursue in relation thereto.

Next there should be enactment of an ordinance along the lines of the English Act of 1947. This English legislation has been



Mr. John W. Dark.

strongly emphasised by Sir Patrick Abercrombie in all his works. He does not think that modern planning can be implemented without these powers.

Thirdly, these powers should contain provisions for controlling development during the interim period between the passing of the ordinance and the approval by the Governor of the comprehensive development plan. These powers for development control would, of course, be in the interest of the community, and the co-operation of the community would have to be sought at every occasion when development was proceeding.

Planning Surveys

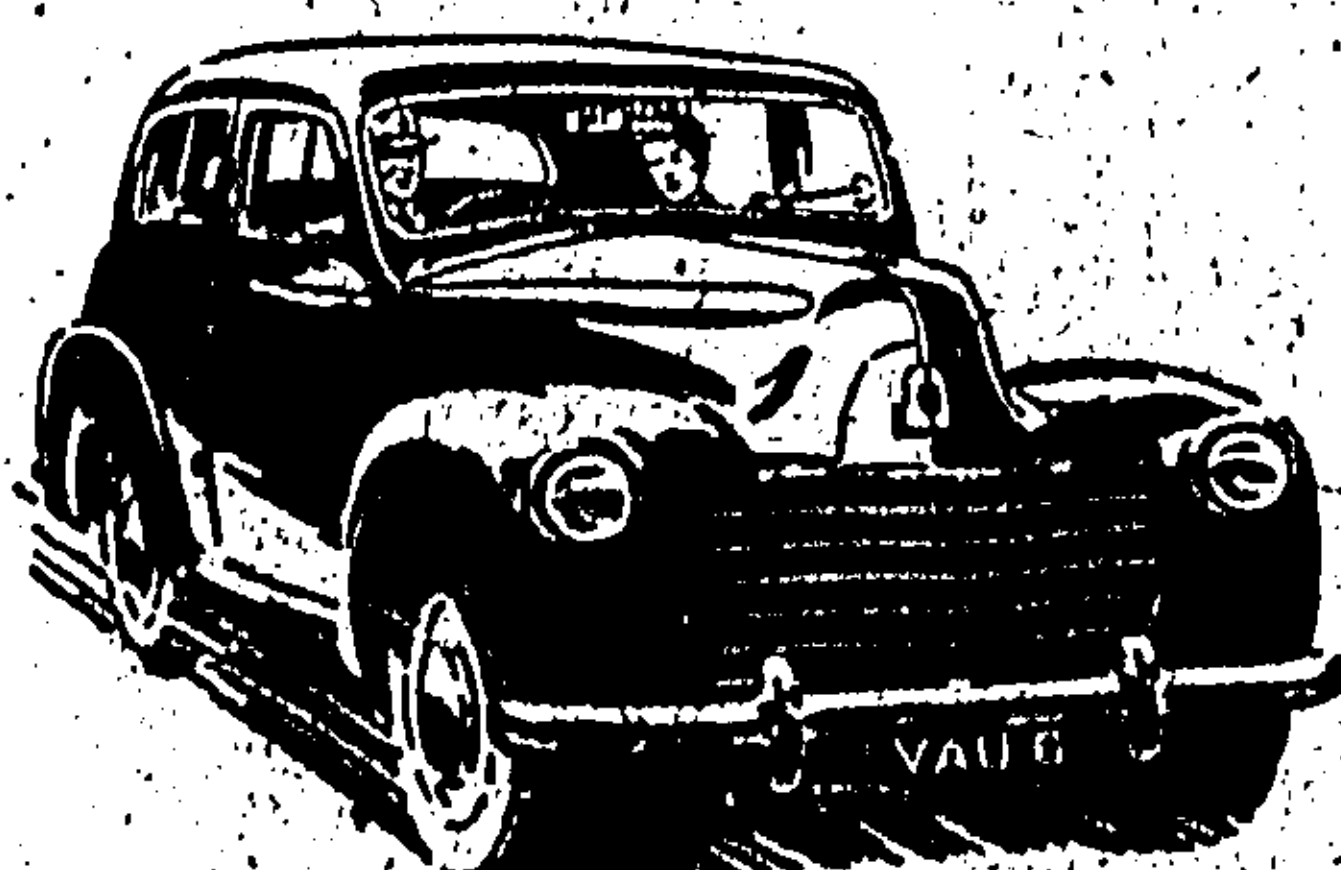
Fourthly the ordinance would, or should, provide for powers to carry out planning surveys of the civil and territorial aspects of the life of Hong Kong and its population. From these surveys a full report with statistics, diagrams and maps would be compiled, as a factual basis for discussion by interested persons and the public generally.

This report would serve as the basis for the comprehensive development plan which would be submitted to the Governor by about 1952. The Governor would then be in a position to hold enquiries if necessary, on objections to the plan, or to consider any representations which competent persons or bodies would wish to make.

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COURT SETS ASIDE HOTEL CONVICTIONS

Holding that the appellants had no guilty intent when they submitted the Return to the Quartering Authority, the Full Court of Appeal yesterday set aside convictions against the Hong Kong Hotel, Mr. F. C. Barry, Managing Director and Mr. J. H. Ehrlich, Hotel Manager.

The appellants had been found guilty on February 10 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central on summonses alleging that they had made a false Return to the Competent Authority under the Price Control (Hotel Services Regulations), 1946.

The Hong Kong Hotel and Mr. Barry at the Lower Court had been fined \$1,000 each, and Mr. Ehrlich \$500.

The Appeal Court comprised Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Williams, Justice of Appeal.

Mr. Eldon Potter, KC, and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, were for the appellants on the instructions of Mr. R. A. Wadsworth, of Deacons, Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Mr. J. Moore, Assistant Superintendent of Police, was for the Crown.

Opening his case, Mr. Potter mentioned that Mr. Barry and Mr. Ehrlich received the charges and the magistrate's findings as matters of the utmost gravity. Counsel stated that any one who was found guilty of making a false statement or if he had reasonable ground for knowing that the statement was false must view such a charge with the utmost concern.

Mr. Potter stated that not only must such a statement be made with criminal intent, but the Crown must prove guilty intent in this connection. Counsel went on to say that in the Magistrate's view, the nature and conduct of the proceedings in no uncertain way, "I shall do so here, my Lord," Mr. Potter declared.

He went on to say that the criticism they were about to level was not actuated by the fact that they were representing a very large and important corporation.

Happenings
Mr. Potter then made reference to happenings between September 1 and when Mr. Earlely, Quartering Authority at the time, sent a hotel inspector to the hotel, after the latter had already been served with the summons. Counsel also mentioned subsequent visits by the inspector and two plain clothes police officers.

Mr. Potter asked in this connection as to what Mr. Earlely, in bringing two plain clothes policemen into the matter.

Mr. Potter referred to Mr. Sheldon's numerous quotations of authorities in support of his contention that the Crown had made no case at all in the Magistrate's view. In spite of this, he added, the Crown had quoted no authority at all, except an Oxford Dictionary on the question of position between an inn-keeper and his guests.

Despite the fact that only this one authority was quoted, Mr. Potter declared, the magistrate found the defendants guilty as charged and delivered a 34-page judgment. It was his contention that the said judgment was wholly erroneous.

Continuing, Mr. Potter told the Court that throughout the whole material times, the rates for the hotel were only a "tentative agreement." This agreement, he said, was that, for persons who were treated by the Hong Kong Hotel management as permanent guests, the rates charged for small rooms were \$10 a day. For larger rooms the rate was \$24 a day.

In the case of transient or travelling guests, he continued, the matter was treated differently. The rates, in addition to being different, also depended on the locations of the room or special services required.

No Legal Obligation
It was thus clear, Mr. Potter went on, that there was no legal obligation on the hotel to take in any particular person or persons at any particular rate.

Counsel stated that, until these unhappy proceedings, they had not the slightest difficulty with any Government official in any way, Quartering Authority or otherwise.

In February 1948, Counsel stated, Dr. and Mrs. Davis applied for accommodation at the Hong Kong Hotel.

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Shanghai Filipinos Calmly Stay Put

Filipinos in Shanghai are taking the looming war threat with Oriental stoicism and thus far very few have left the Chinese metropolis.

Those who were born and brought up in China and with business or properties there are reluctant to leave in the face of the Communist military advance. They harbour hopes of Red recognition of their neutrality.

Two families totalling 10 persons arrived here yesterday about the Filipino motorship Turk's Head en route to Manila, where they will have to start from scratch again.

"The Philippine Consulate at Shanghai has no plan for the evacuation of Filipinos," said Mr. N. S. Mendoza, former civilian em-

ployee of the United States Navy, who was born there.

"I am returning to my home town—Manila—with my wife and two sons to start afresh, the 40-year-old Filipino declared.

Mr. Mendoza remarked that he regretted having to leave Shanghai where he had served in the International Corps and saw action in different military crises, including the Japanese occupation.

"Food can be obtained now if you have the Gold Yuan notes to dish out. But there is a shortage of food which will be very difficult to procure in the very near future," the emcee said.

Among the arrivals is Mrs. Magdalena M. Garcia, Japanese wife of a Filipino musician, who spent there 10 years ago.

Born in Tokyo, she said that most of the leading dance halls and night clubs had been requisitioned by the Government resulting in the unemployment of many Filipino musicians.

The requisitioned premises are being used as military billets and headquarters by the Nationalist troops.

She is going to Manila for the first time with her husband and four children.

Master of the Turk's Head is Mr. C. Thomas, veteran Filipino skipper.

The Turk's Head is due to resume her journey tomorrow.

Two Doctors Fined

The charge room of the Police Station could not have been very important to two Chinese doctors. The two doctors, confined in their sub-basement cells after the Police had said that they could go.

Before Mr. Blair Kerr yesterday, Man Yan-kong, aged 22, and Tang Wan-man, aged 32, were charged with disorderly conduct.

They were each fined \$25 and bound over in \$125 for six months.

Inspector J. H. Evans told the court that defendants were arrested while "fighting on Pottinger Street."

All the way to the station they argued in a noisy manner and continued in the charge room.

When the police decided that they could settle their own dispute by civil action, the men were discharged.

But they continued to be noisy so the Police had them arrested and charged. "I said that they were only one of them could produce the bail money. The other was detained."

Fined \$500 For Careless Driving

A fine of \$500 was imposed by Mr. Blair Kerr on Chan Tim-sang, aged 21, for careless driving which resulted in the death of an unidentified Chinese.

Sub-inspector Howarth, prosecuting, said that Chan, driven by Flying Officer Fenell, R.A.F., with two other passengers in it were witnesses of the accident.

Reading out a statement made by a witness, Inspector Howarth said that defendant's car, a baby Ford, was running at a bend coming into Kowloon from the direction of Cheungwater Bay.

The Ford was travelling at a fast speed and on the wrong side, continued the statement. When defendant saw witness's car, he cut to the right side. An old man, walking in the same direction as defendant's car, was travelling was "knocked down."

Witness stopped his car and with his friends went to give help.

Defendant's car then returned and the man was taken to hospital. It was found that the man had injuries suffered in the accident.

The youth had his licence suspended for one year as additional penalty in the conviction.

No Inquiry Yet On Ship Mishap

The Chinese passenger steamer Hsing Hsing, which was involved in a collision with the Mashan off Kowloon last February, which led to the sinking of the Portuguese freighter, arrived here yesterday for the first time.

Except for the newly painted plates on her port bow, where a four-foot hole was made in the collision, there is no longer any indication of the damage formerly inflicted on the Chinese ship.

There has been no inquiry regarding the incident yet. But we have already made our statements to the Byatow authorities, Chief Officer T. P. Yu said yesterday.

The Hsing Hsing had about 200 passengers aboard then and every precaution was taken after the crash to prevent any loss of life in the ship in the event of her sinking.

The Hsing Hsing brought a large quantity of cotton yarn.

HK Dollars Recognised

Canton, May 11.

The municipal government today finally got around to recognising the Hong Kong dollar as an acceptable medium of exchange in South China.

It announced a subsidy of HK\$20 per month payable to all government employees to help offset the increasing cost of living.

United Press.

Town Planning For HK

(Continued from Page 1)

The result would probably be that the comprehensive development plan would finally be approved, with a proviso that it should be brought up for review every five years to see if future conditions would warrant amendments or alterations.

This was quite a new idea. Mr. Blair Kerr, in so far as Hong Kong was concerned, but in England it had been the standard practice for some 12 months, and by and large had been running very smoothly.

Asked if this suggested planning was urgent, Mr. Dark said for Hong Kong it was certainly an urgent problem, because the Colony was rapidly becoming a modern city with a population which had risen to two millions in less than three years and its development had become a matter of urgent consideration.

Mr. Dark was optimistic of support from the people in any town planning scheme in Hong Kong.

Future Development
"There is no lack of capital seeking investment here," he said, "but business men would like to know the lines of future development before they invest."

"Industrialists are coming to the Colony from all over China because of the order and stability which reigns here. They are also anxious to prepare for the flood of orders which they hope will result from the present visit of the Hong Kong delegates to the B.I.E."

"There is also a question of the public utilities such as the electric light and power companies who do not want to embark upon any supply schemes until they have some indication of the lines of this development plan."

Wharves and dock facilities need expansion. And there is the Star Ferry Company which has had to hold up its plans for expansion because it wanted guidance as to the policy of Government.

"And we have also the traffic problem which is making the centre of the city almost impassable at certain hours of the day. This problem cannot be divorced from the fresh development which is taking place continuously within our urban area."

"Therefore, taking all these factors into consideration I am of the opinion that the time for considered action on town planning for Hong Kong is ripe," added Mr. Dark.

"And what about housing?" Mr. Dark was asked.

"Housing" replied Mr. Dark, "is intimately connected with tuberculosis. The known death rate is 60 persons a week, but nobody knows how many people who had contracted the disease were perhaps lingering on, or had left Hong Kong and died elsewhere."

"It is due in many cases to overcrowding and to housing conditions, and town planning is concerned with housing conditions, particularly in the slum areas of Wanchai, Kennedy Town, and parts of Kowloon. All these places are breeding-grounds for disease."

Therefore, I think that proper housing for the underprivileged is absolutely essential if the Colony is to become a prosperous and healthy as it should be.

Better Living Conditions
"Although housing conditions in the slum areas are bad, and the problem may seem insoluble at times, it should be remembered that many of the houses are dilapidated or obsolete. Therefore the chances of securing better living conditions in these slum areas of comparative prosperity are not too dim."

"I believe that under new legislation along the lines of the 1947 English Act it would pay financially to redevelop the 'blighted areas in modern lines. As I do not think there would be any loss of capital thanks to the development, the 'blighted areas' to convince the public that the continuation of these slum conditions is not only unnecessary but actually wasteful, if much of the land is not being utilized to its greatest value."

"There is also the question of property appreciation which is being paid by urban slum conditions depreciates properties in the vicinity. This

Reminders

Today

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Y's Men's club of Hong Kong, luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

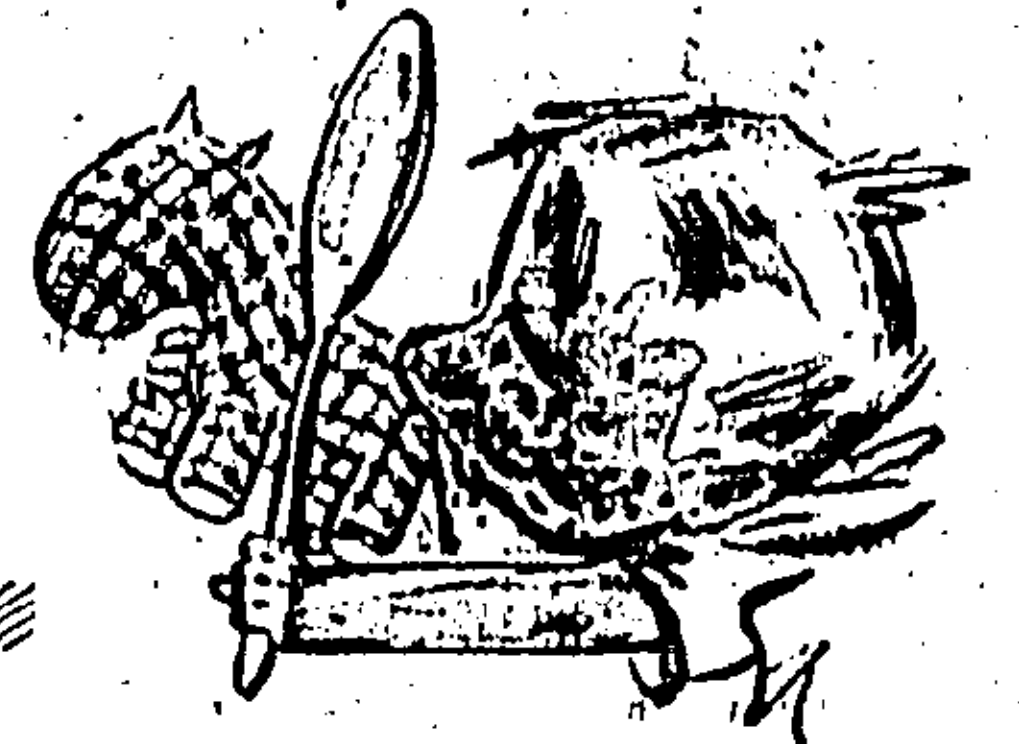
RAF Association luncheon, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Exhibition of paintings by Mr. George Chann, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m.

Kowloon Union Church Ladies' Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m.
Chinese Reform Association first Committee meeting, Hotel Cecil, 7 p.m.

Inter-Services final boxing championships, China Fleet Club.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
HK Football Association Emergency Sub-Committee meeting, Lo and Lo Office, Alexandra Bldg., 5.30 p.m.
Women's Section Club-Morning, European YMCA, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY
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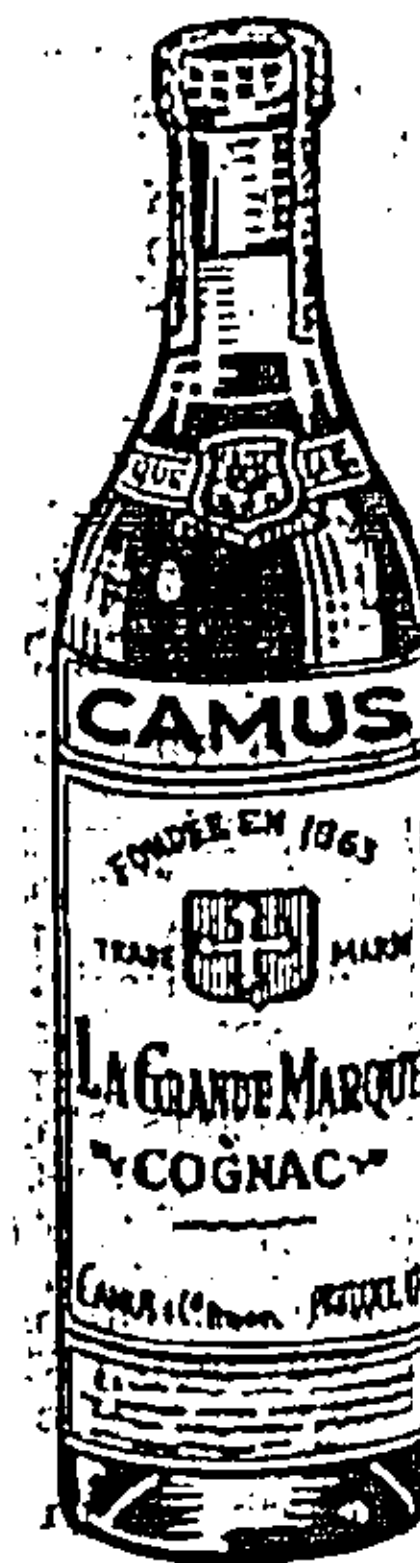
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held in the
Board Room of the Company,
Room No. 308, Queen's Build-
ing, Hong Kong, on Thursday,
the 10th May, 1949, at noon for
the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider
the Statement of Ac-
counts and Balance Sheet
and the Report of the
Directors and Auditors
thereon.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors and
fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other
ordinary business of the
Company.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY
GIVEN that the TRANSFER
BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will
be closed from the 10th May,
1949 to the 10th May, 1949,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, April 29, 1949.

NOTICE

ROYAL HONG KONG
YACHT CLUB.

CLUB NIGHT THURSDAY
12th MAY.

SUPPER DANCE 9 To 12.
DANCING TO THE
YACHT CLUB TRIO

DRESS INFORMAL. CHARGE
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LAUNCHES LEAVE
KOWLOON 8 p.m.

QUEEN'S PIER 8.15 p.m.
RETURN 12.10

CABLE & WIRELESS,
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announce that, from June 1,
1949, the rate for telegrams to
China will be increased from
HK\$0.40 to HK\$0.54 per full
rate word, with corresponding
increases in other classes of
traffic.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that
the Sixty-first Ordinary Yearly
Meeting of the Company will
be held at the Registered Office
of the Company, 5th Floor, P.
& O. Building, Hong Kong, on
Wednesday, 25th May, 1949, at
noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the
General Managers, together
with the statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1948; to re-elect Members
of the Consulting Committee
and to re-appoint Auditors.

The Share Register and
Transfer Books will be closed
from the 18th May, 1949, to the
25th May, 1949, both days in-
clusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers.

Hong Kong, May 11, 1949.

SALE OF CROWN
LAND

An auction sale of Crown
Land will be held at P.W.D.
Headquarters on Monday, the
23rd day of May, 1949, at 3
p.m.

The area which comprises
10,000 square feet is situated
at the junction of Sassoon
Road and Victoria Road and
is suitable for residential pur-
poses.

Further particulars are
available from the Govern-
ment Gazette of 6th May, 1949
or from the Crown Lands &
Survey Office.

(Sd.) ANDREW NICOL,
Director of Public Works.

April 29, 1949.

Service Auction Rooms

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KCC's Dance
To Aid Fund

The proceeds from next
Saturday's dance at the KCC
will go to the Hong Kong
Naval Aid Fund. A special
effort will be made to raise a
substantial sum in keeping
with previous efforts by the
Club on behalf of worthy
causes.

In addition to dancing, it is
hoped to stage one or two floor
shows. An interesting interval
will be provided by the presen-
tation of lawn bowls prizes.
Spot wallizes are included in
the programme which starts at
8 p.m., and will continue up to
2 a.m.

Members are requested to give
their full support to this function.
Tables may be booked at the
Club. Booking closes tomorrow
night.

Further donations to the
Hong Kong Naval Aid Fund,
organised in aid of the depen-
dents of those killed during
the shelling of British war-
ships on the Yangtze River,
have increased the Fund to
HK\$288,908. Details of the
latest contributions follow:

Previously acknowledged: HK\$288,908.75

K.H. Robertson 250.00

Anonymous 200.00

C.K. Terry 100.00

Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Jones 50.00

Messrs. A.H. Purcell and Sons, Ltd. 100.00

Mr. and Mrs. W. Miller 50.00

Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Catherley 50.00

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Mr. and Mrs. K.H. Price 100.00

Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Faber 200.00

Matrons and Sisters of the 494.00

Queen Mary Hospital 778.00

Messrs. Blair and Co. Ltd. 778.00

Total HK\$288,908.75

Mr. Char Kyun Chan, the
new Korean Consul in Hong
Kong, died suddenly from ill-
ness at the Hong Kong Sanito-
rium at 6.05 p.m. yesterday.

The news came as a shock to
his friends as Mr. Chan was re-
ported to be still at his desk
on Monday.

Mr. Chan was the first consul
appointed by his country to
Hong Kong. He set up his
office at the Metropole Hotel on
May 1.

His wife and four children, are
expected to arrive here by air
from Shanghai today.

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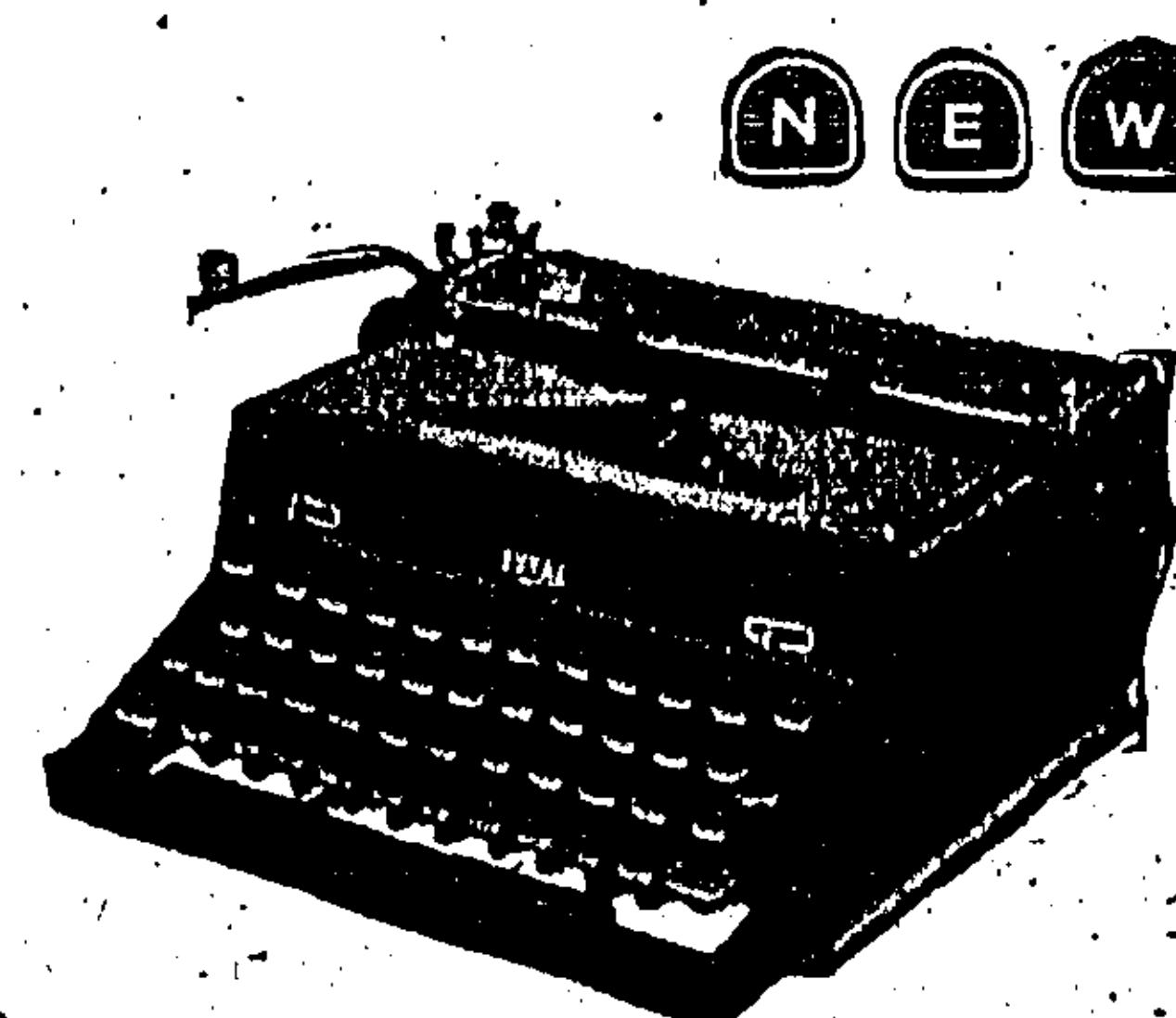
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IF A FINESSE IS FUTILE
WHEN the crucial finesse,
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that is the time for you to look
around and find some other ma-
nuoeuvre. That is true regardless
of whether the trick involved is
required to make your game
contract in rubber bridge, or
whether it is the extra needed to
get you a good comparative
score in a tournament. If you
are able to figure out that the
defender who would win such a
finesse is also the only one who
can protect his side against some
other suit, you may have a
squeeze possibility.

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HAQ 10 0 6
DAJ 10 6
CQ 8

W E
S

SQ 10 7 3
H3
DK 7 4 2
CKJ 7 4

(Dealer: South. Neither side
vulnerable.)
South West North East
Pass Pass 1 H 2 C
NT Pass 3 D Pass
1 NT

West went unorthodox with
his lead, shying away from his
partner's club suit and instead
taking the spade K and A and
then putting forth the 9. Count-
ing two spades, trumps, sur-
plus for one in hearts. South
saw that the lazy man's way to
try for an extra trick with the
heart finesse was virtually cer-

tain to fail. West had already
shown so much with his spade
tops that East, who had bid, was
bound to have the heart K in
addition to his club suit.

The clever declarer then found
how to make East try to carry
more weight than he possibly
could. To the fourth trick he
led a club, putting in the Q,
which East took with his A. He
returned the spade 8 to the Q
and South then proceeded with
his plan. He scored the diamond
A, J and 10, led to the club K
and J, and then laid down the
diamond K.

That put the pinchers on East.
In the dummy remained the heart
A-Q and the diamond 6, which
he played to that eleventh trick,
while his own hand retained the
heart 3 and club 7. East had to
cling to his club 10 to top the
7, so discarded the J from his
heart K-J. South then scored
the heart A to drop the K, and
finished with the Q.

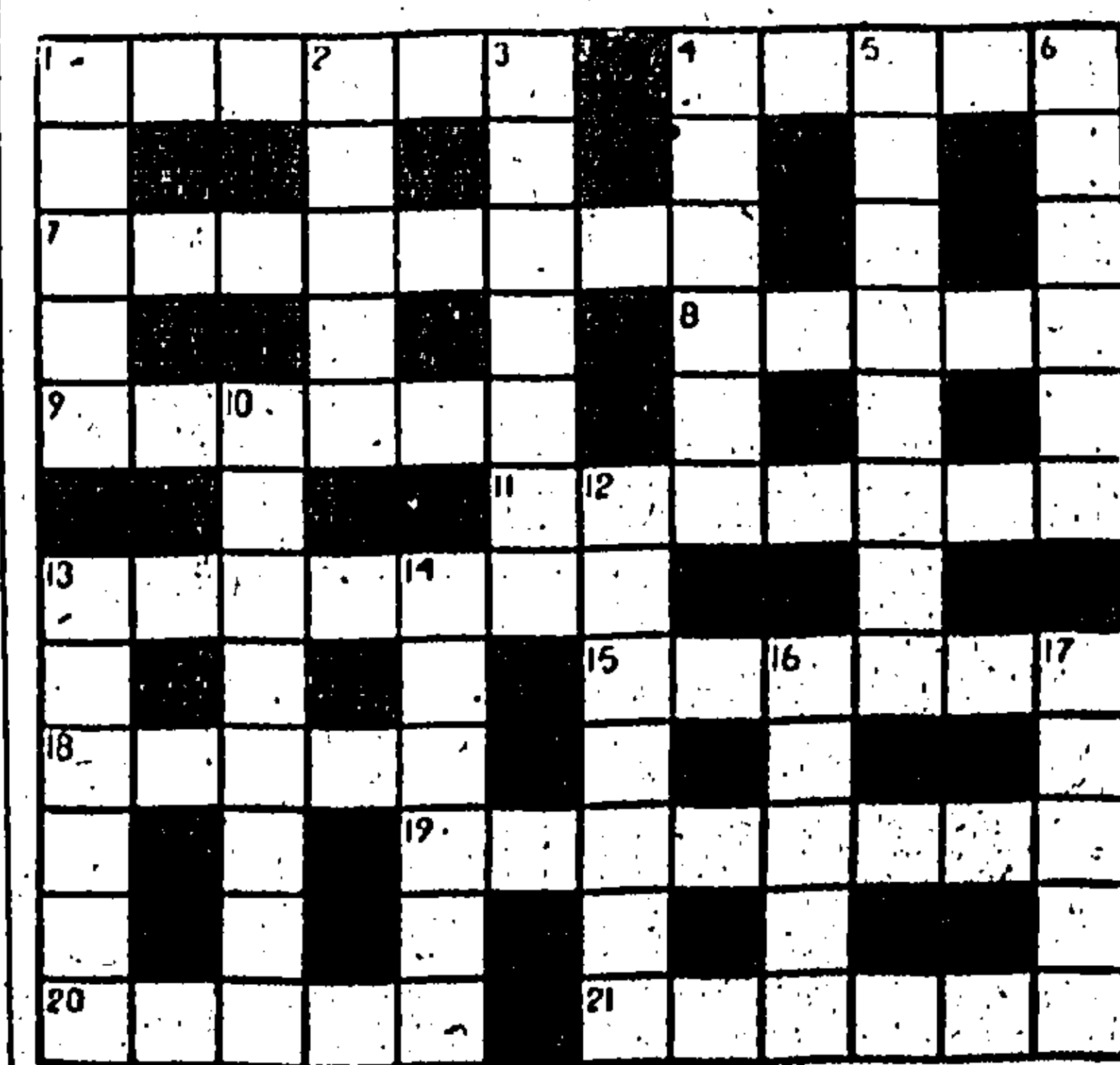
Tomorrow's Problem
S 10 5 2
HKQ 8 2
D 4 2
CAQJ 8

S KJ 7 6
H 8 7 6 3
D Q 10 9 7
C None

S A Q
H 10 5
D A K J 8
C 10 9 8 4 3

(Dealer: South. North-South
vulnerable.)
If West leads the spade 8
against South's No Trump game,
then discards the diamond 7 on
the club finesse, how should East
read that card?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Untidy
2 Park
3 Lash
4 Fearless
5 Suppose
6 Unexpected
7 Grave
8 Apart
9 Skillful
10 Suffers pain
11 Fascinate
12 Worth
13 Hang down

Down

1 Ecstasy
2 Ventured
3 Wide-area
4 Zeal
5 Counteract-
ing agent
6 Surplus
7 Near
8 relative
9 Bullit
10 Warning
11 Abandon
12 Shellfish
13 Subject

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS:—1 Save, 4 Runaway,
8 Lien, 9 Menu, 10 Minaret, 11
Dale, 12 Dupe, 14 Torpedo, 17
Ready, 19 Bonus, 22 Gallant, 26
Pant, 27 Tump, 28 Minister, 29
Otto, 30 Nose, 31 Deposits, 32
Eddy.

DOWN:—2 Avenue, 3 Eluded, 4
Remit, 5 Unison, 6 Again, 7
Amend, 12 Drag, 13 Fall, 18
Anna, 19 Out, 18 Intent, 20 Op-
pose, 21 United, 23 Agile, 24
Lasso, 25 Tares.

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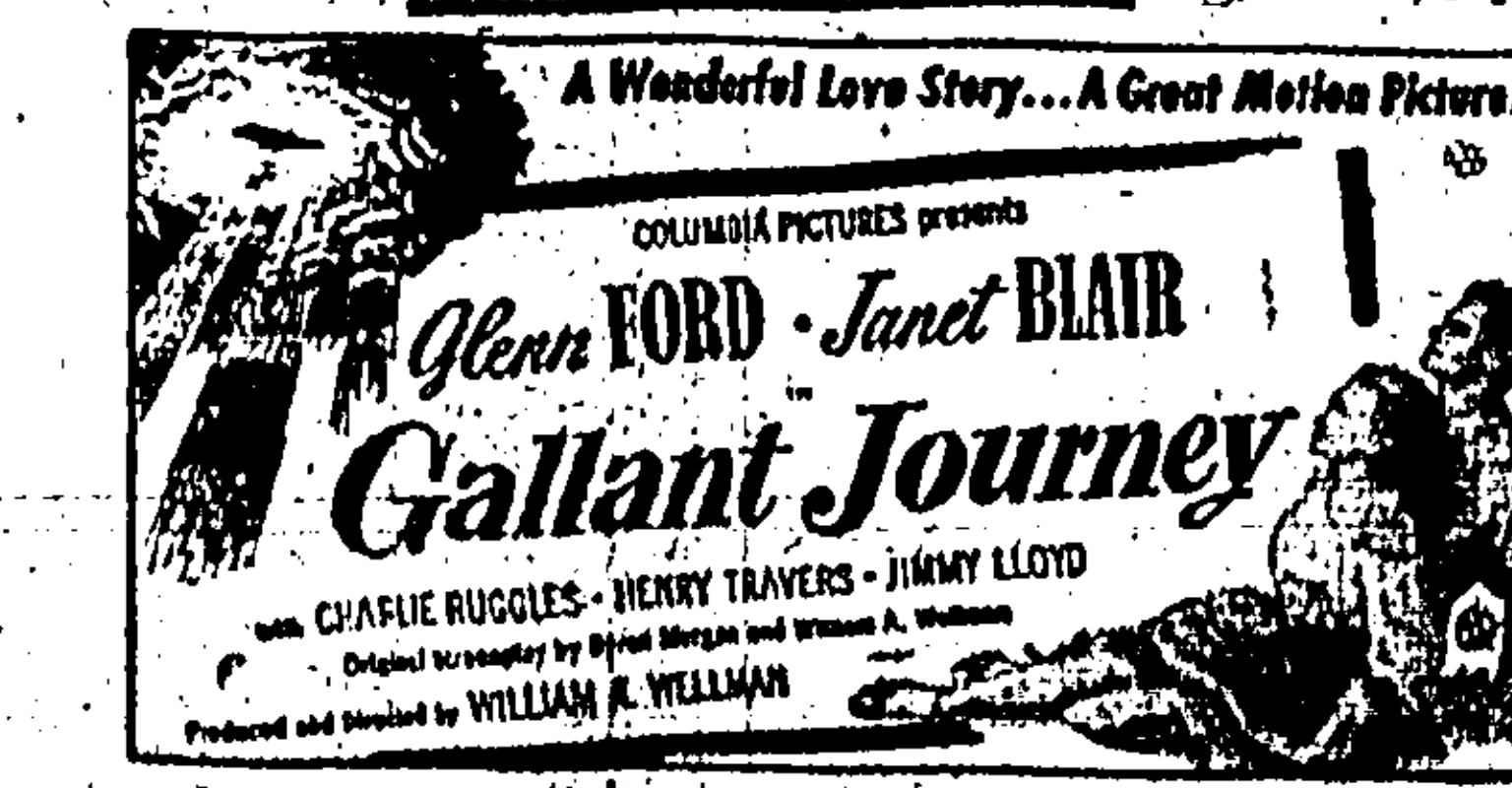


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SYRIA'S STRONG MAN TO WIPE OUT COMMUNISTS; PACT WITH TURKS SEEN

SANCTUARY FOR CZECH OFFICIAL

Berlin, May 10. The British Military Government announced today that it had granted protection as a political refugee to M. Josef Hasek, a 40-year-old Czech consular official at Hamburg.

"The Czech authorities can, if they wish, interview M. Hasek to satisfy themselves that he has voluntarily sought political asylum, but he will not be handed back to the Czech Government against his will," the announcement added.

WHO OFFICIAL FOR TURKEY

Geneva, May 10. The World Health Organisation announced today that Mr. Paul Burestin, WHO public health engineer, would arrive in Ankara tomorrow to advise the Turkish government in its anti-malaria campaign.



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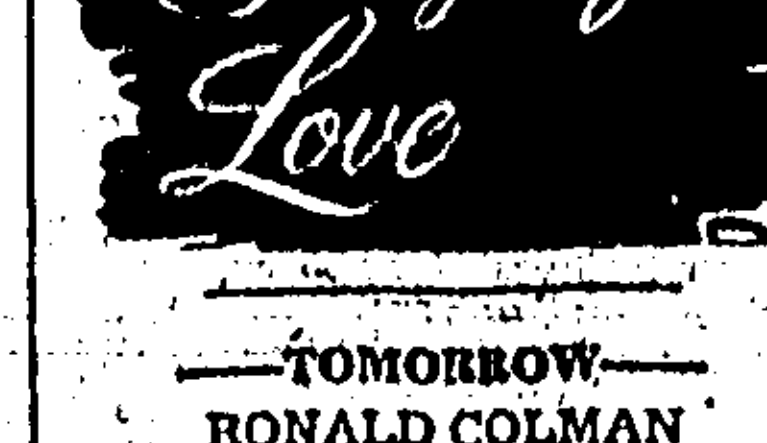
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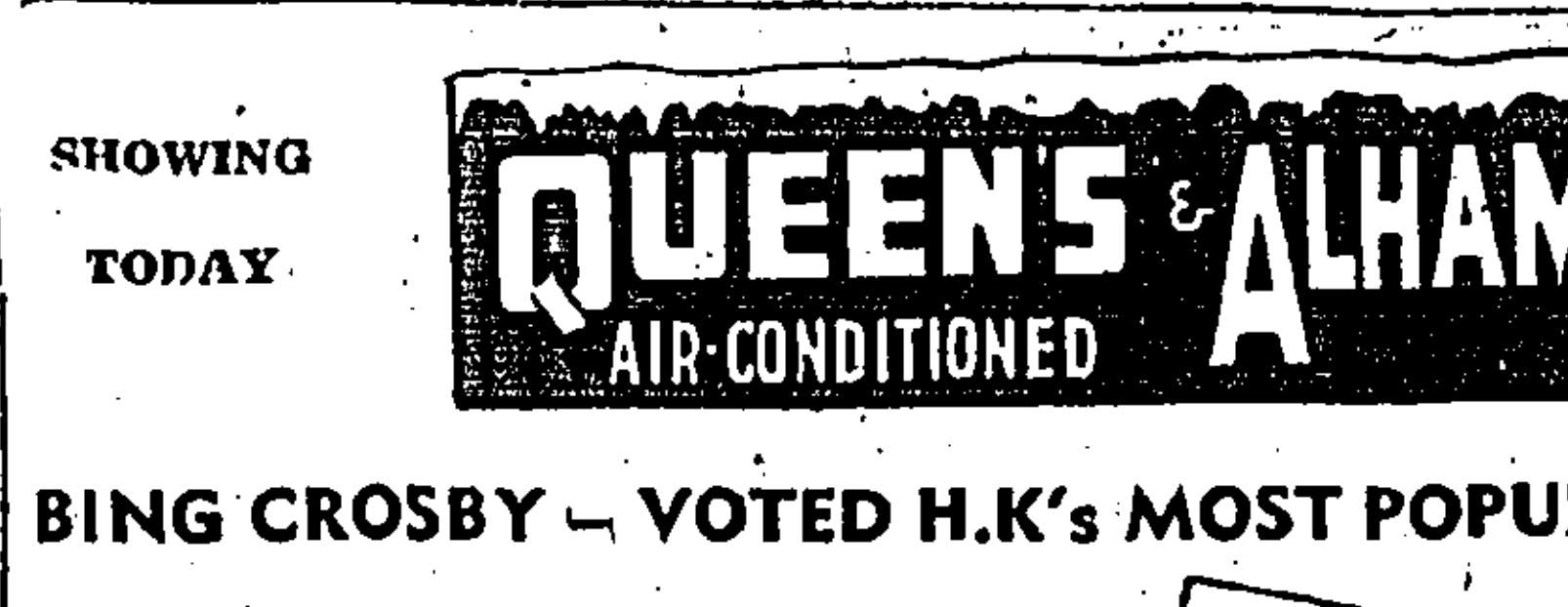
TOMORROW: RONALD COLMAN PEGGY CUMMINGS IN "THE LATE MR. GEORGE APLEY"

Damascus, May 10. The strong man of Syria, Colonel Husni Zaim, has sworn to wipe out Communism in his country and to strengthen Syria's relations with Turkey, his Northern neighbour and the Middle East's forward outpost against Russia.

The Syrian Army Chief of Staff who successfully staged the bloodless coup d'etat in Damascus and took over the reins of government, is gradually working out his policy, the cornerstone of which appears to be a merciless struggle against Communism.

Turkish Programme

He declared that henceforth Radio Damascus will have an hour's Turkish language broadcast every day, and that every effort will be made to improve Turkish-Syrian relations.



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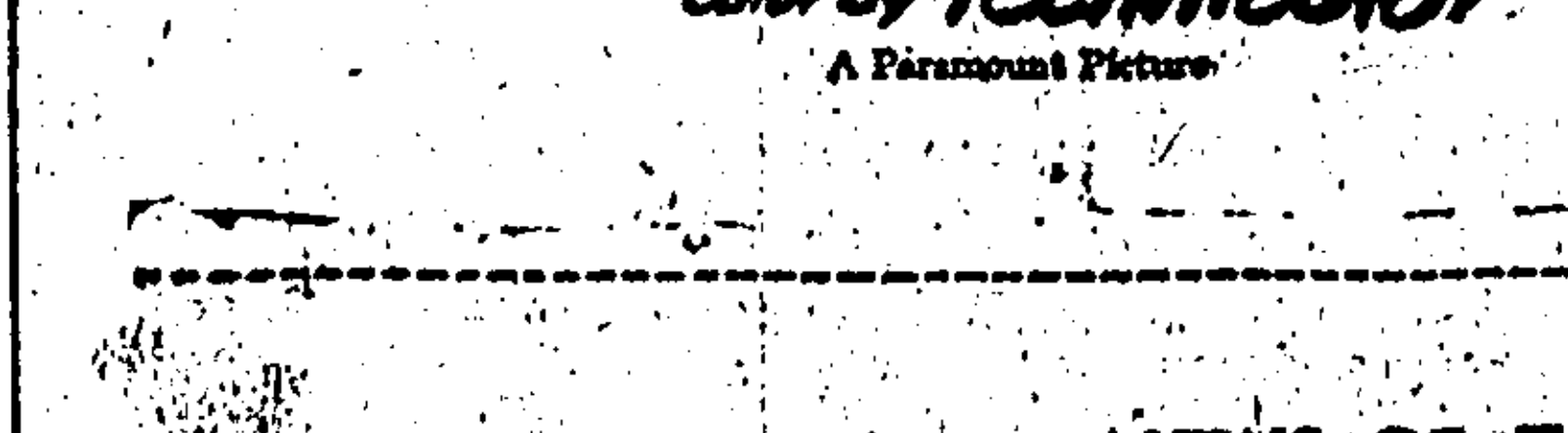
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Reprieve For London Night Clubs

London, May 10. London night clubs and "bottle parties", which had been threatened in Britain with extinction under a Government Licensing Bill, were reprieved tonight when the House of Commons agreed to a Government proposal to allow them to keep open until 2.30 a.m.

They were originally to have closed before midnight. "Bottle parties" were formed before the war through a loophole in the Liquor Law. Both night clubs and bottle parties are to enjoy the same refreshment facilities as hotels and restaurants.

Death Sentence Commuted

Berlin, May 10. General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor, commuting to life imprisonment the death sentence on a young German who shot two policemen in the back, said today:

"His criminal tendencies were undoubtedly aggravated by the influence of Nazi brutality and by the aftermath of war."

COST OF BERLIN AIRLIFT

London, May 11. The Foreign Office said yesterday that the Berlin airlift cost Britain £5,950,000 until the end of March.

It announced that Britain is now spending about £2,000,000 a week on the airlift.

The announcement came on the eve of the scheduled lifting of the Berlin blockade, which necessitated the lift.—Associated Press.

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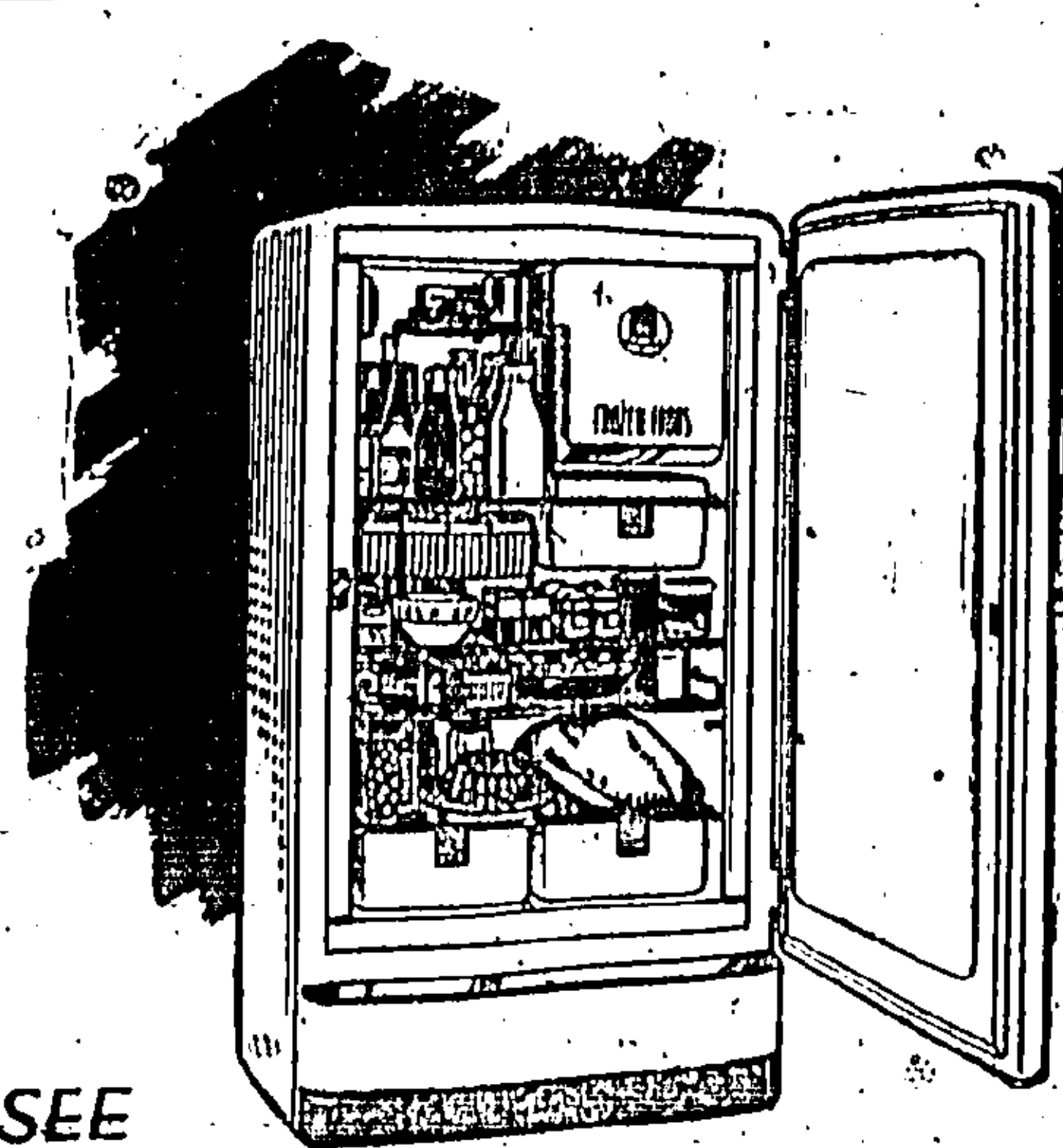
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General Assembly Group Votes On Trusteeship For Italian Somaliland

MOSCOW LOOKS BACK

Moscow, May 10. Collaboration between the different economic systems of Soviet Russia, the United States and Britain is not only possible but desirable in the interests of peace, a Moscow Radio commentator said in an English language broadcast today.

"The anti-Hitler coalition of the three Great Powers gave the nations a splendid example of fruitful collaboration between different economic systems during the second world war," he said.

"If two different systems can collaborate in war, the more so they can collaborate in peace," he added.

The commentator quoted extracts from a conversation between the former Minnesota Governor, Mr. Harold E. Stassen, in Moscow in 1947, on the peaceful co-existence of different economic systems.

Stalin said the difference between economic systems was not important so far as collaboration was concerned, the commentator said.

"The economic systems in Germany and the United States were alike, and yet war broke out between them."

War-Time Unity

"The economic systems of Soviet Russia and the United States were different, but they did not fight with each other, they collaborated during the war."

The commentator added that where there was no desire to collaborate, even peoples with economic systems which were alike, might fight each other.

"Can the United States and Soviet Russia be regarded as a desire to collaborate on peaceful foundations?" the commentator asked.

"Is it out of a desire to collaborate that the United States is creating military, naval and air bases in the immediate vicinity of the Soviet Union's frontiers? Are such diplomatic actions as the creation of the North Atlantic Pact evidence of the desire to collaborate?"

The United States had turned down Stalin's proposal for a peace pact between the two countries, the commentator added.

"The entire policy of the United States," he said, "has shown the world that for the desire to collaborate they substitute nothing but talk about collaboration."—Reuter.

Lake Success, May 10. The General Assembly sub-committee today voted to recommend Italian trusteeship for Somaliland.

The vote was nine in favour, six against and one abstention. Iraq, Ethiopia, Egypt, India, Poland and the Soviet Union voted against and Australia abstained. The United States, United Kingdom, France, Denmark, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Brazil and South Africa voted in favour.

The vote on Somaliland carried one step further adoption by the sub-committee of the basic principles underlying the Somaliland proposals submitted earlier for disposal of the former Italian Colonies.

Earlier, the sub-committee had accepted a British-Italian compromise for Libya. The sub-committee then adjourned and the next debate is expected tomorrow on the last of the colonies—Eritrea. Despite vigorous Soviet objections, the British-Italian suggestions for settlement of the future status of Libya gained rapid support in the sub-committee. The basic principles will be:

1. Independence of Libya in 10 years if the General Assembly so decides.
2. Administration of Cyrenaica by the United Kingdom, Fezzan by France; Tripolitania by Italy in 1951 and in the interim administered by the British with the aid of an advisory council of five nations, including representatives of the local population.
3. The three administrative authorities adopt all necessary measures to preserve the unity of Libya.

Majority In Favour

While the four principles adopted apply only to Libya, there appeared to be a majority in the committee in favour of the British and Italian proposals as regards other colonies.

Mr. G. L. Clutton (United Kingdom) limited suggestions to Libya in view of the sub-committee's decision to study colony by colony.

He described the agreement on Tripolitania as a compromise, explaining, "In order to allow the passions and feelings of the population of Tripolitania to cool and convince them, they have nothing to fear from the new Italy that the new Italy would help them to independence, the two governments agreed that Italian trusteeship should be deferred until 1951."

"In the meantime, in order to assure help to the United Kingdom in the task of preparing for smooth handing over of the administration, the British administration would be assisted by an advisory council including a representative of the local population."

Mr. Clutton emphasised that separate solutions for the three territories would be taken with-

out prejudice to co-operation between the three administration powers, with a view to eventual unity of Libya if that is the wish of the population.—United Press.

STRONG ACTION URGED

Paris, May 10. A French Parliamentary delegation, just back from Indo-China, today urged speedier reinforcements and stronger military action to back the new Vietnamese state.

The delegation has presented an unanimous report to the Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, it was learned on good authority.

The report was understood also to recommend an increase of 60,000 million francs in the present year's budget of 150,000 million francs.

The new state is envisaged by an agreement signed on March 8 between the ex-Emperor and the French Government.

It will come into being when the French National Assembly gives its expected approval later this month to the incorporation of Cochinchina in Vietnam.

Approval of extra military expenditure may be contested in the Assembly if Premier Queuille decides to ask for it.

The French Socialist Party is officially committed to a policy of negotiation with Dr. Ho Chi Minh, Communist leader of the autonomists and is, therefore, opposed to a strong hand military policy.

There were, however, two Socialist deputies in the delegation and their report was unanimous. This fact may influence all but the extreme Left-wing members of the Socialist Party to vote for the extra credits.

Meanwhile, 20 French deputies of all parties are to spend a week in Sweden as guests of the Swedish Parliament.

They will leave Paris by air on Thursday and return on Friday week.

The group will be headed by M. Claudius Petit, Minister of Reconstruction, and will include experts in all fields of public life including two former Socialist Ministers, M. Schmitt and M. Francis Lecomte.

A spokesman of the Swedish Embassy said that the visit was to give the Parliamentarians the opportunity of inspecting Swedish social, industrial and financial arrangements, of visiting factories, schools and institutions and making contacts with leaders of Swedish Parliamentary and economic life.—Reuter.

PARIS ROBBERY

Paris, May 10. Two armed bandits clubbed and robbed a 70-year-old cashier in a crowded street in the East End of Paris late today and fled in a stolen car with a satchel containing 500,000 francs (about £500).—Reuter.



The baby elephant, four months old and weighing three cwt., needed some strong ropes and the strong arm of a London Zoo head keeper to stand for affectionate caresses after arrival at London Airport. The calf, a female named Babili, has two claims to fame. She is the first elephant ever to be flown to the London Zoo and the youngest elephant ever to go there. Associated Press Photo.

Discussion On Indonesian Dispute Deferred By UN

Lake Success, May 11. The Special Political Committee of the United Nations today voted to defer discussion on the Dutch-Indonesian conflict until the General Assembly's Autumn session.

The vote was 42 to 6 with four abstentions. Only the Soviet bloc voted against deferment.

The deferment was proposed by India and Australia to avoid any inflammatory debate which might interfere with the newly announced Dutch-Indonesian agreement for peace talks in The Hague.

The final action was delayed by a long wrangling when Russia's Jakob Malik demanded that the 58 nation Committee hear the views of the Indonesian Republican leaders before deciding on the Indian-Australian proposal.

Brigadier General Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, committee chairman, said he could not accept the Soviet proposal. He said that the Indian-Australian resolution was in effect an adjournment proposal and, under the Assembly's rules, just takes precedence over all other questions.

"There is a definite manoeuvre here," Mr. Malik said.

The Polish delegate, Mr. Jan Drohojowski, said he did not think such a serious subject should be disposed of by "pure procedure—cruel, hard procedure."

General Romulo said he was told by the Indonesian representative that he did not want to make a statement now.

Mr. Malik said this proved the Indonesian representative, Mr. L. N. Palar, was deprived of a chance to speak because the Republican leaders still are exiled on Bangka Island.

The Russian said Mr. Palar told him on Monday that he had no information from his government.

Dutch Manoeuvre

"We are compelled to see in all this a manoeuvre by the government of the Netherlands," Mr. Malik said.

General Romulo pleaded with Mr. Malik to confine his remarks to the question of deferring action until the Fall session.

"I will stop if you want to silence me," Mr. Malik snapped back.

General Romulo told him he had a right to speak if he stuck to the procedural question before

No Progress In Talks On Armistice

Haifa, May 10.

The armistice talks between Israel and Syria, already in their sixth week, were tonight reported by an Israeli spokesman to have made no progress. The talks are taking place on the border between the two countries.

Syria made a proposal on "free lines and what was qualified as an unguessed No Man's Land, running along the Jordan River, including the Eastern shores of Lake Hule (10 miles North of the Sea of Galilee) and the sea of Galilee, with some villages South of Samakh, now in Israeli territory."

The Israeli spokesman said the Israeli representatives refused even to discuss the proposal and stressed that they were determined to ask for an armistice line running along the old international border of Palestine.

UN Proposal

M. Henri Vigier, the United Nations political adviser, in an effort to solve the problem, put forward a proposal which was said to have come from the Acting Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche. Its nature was not announced. Both the delegations are now studying it, and the next meeting has been fixed for Friday morning.

Tomorrow one Israeli and one Syrian representative will meet to discuss the conditions, the time and place for an exchange of prisoners.

Meanwhile, Mr. Moshe Sharett, the Israeli Foreign Minister, arrived in Paris by air today. He was met at Orly Airport by Mr. Maurice Druon, the Israeli representative in France.—Reuter.

Czech-Jones the feeling of the Government and people of India over the case of Sambasivam and pressed for staying of the execution of the death sentence pending a full re-examination of the case.—Reuter.

REPRESENTATIONS ON SAMBASIVAM

London, May 10.

Following up his representations to Lord Lislowe yesterday regarding Sambasivam, who is now under sentence of death in Malaya, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, High Commissioner for India, this morning called on the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee.

In the afternoon Mr. Menon called on Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, Colonial Secretary, who returned recently from his African tour.

It is understood that Mr. Menon conveyed to Mr. Attlee and Mr.

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Russian Trains In Berlin Ready To Resume Traffic

Berlin, May 10.

The Soviet Zonal railway authorities announced tonight that 35 locomotives in first class condition are ready for the resumption of rail traffic between Berlin and the West on May 12. Some of the locomotives are stationed at Magdeburg, near the zonal frontier. The others are in Berlin.

United States and British airlift pilots, not impressed by the approaching end of the Berlin blockade, today set a near-record, flying 6,906 tons of airlift supplies into Berlin in 1,017 flights.

The figure is only once been exceeded, on Easter Saturday, when 1,344 sorties brought in 9,003 tons.

Berliners are looking forward to a smooth lifting of the 10-month old blockade. The Russian and Western orders for the operation, both issued in the past 24 hours, fully accord with each other, and observers expected any differences of opinion on technical details to be smoothed out.

Claus Apfelbaum, an 18-year-old Berlin student, hopes to be first Berliner to arrive in the West on two wheels after the blockade is lifted. He will start out tomorrow morning on his bicycle. As a German he can pass the Russian checkpoint outside Berlin, and can be at Helmsdorf, on the British Zone border, just as the barrier is lifted.

Western sector shops selling textiles and other luxury goods, which were imported from Western Germany, announced today price reductions of up to 10 per cent, while the Soviet Zone Economic Commission announced the de-rating of certain types of clothing, crockery, cycle tires, furniture and radio sets.

Mr. John Logan, chief of the John Export-Import Agency, said in Frankfurt that he believed East-West German trade would gradually adjust itself after the blockade ends.

Barter Trade
General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor, said the new developments would not make the Russian area a direct beneficiary of Marshall aid. Trade would be by straight barter, and in the process the East would undoubtedly get some Marshall aid goods.

"Everything will come out all right," he said.
The end of the blockade has knocked the bottom out of Berlin's currency black market, and will probably put one branch of the sale of occupation scrip, dollars and pounds—right out of business.

The Soviet-licensed news agency, ADN, said tonight that Western licensed papers will be allowed to circulate freely in the Soviet Zone if the ban on Soviet-licensed papers in the Western Zones was removed.

Last week the British Military Governor, General Sir Brian Robertson, said at press conference that the ban on Soviet papers in the Western Zones would be removed if the Russians look reciprocal action.

Meanwhile, it is reliably reported that during his visit to Berlin, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, offered the position of British High Commissioner in Germany to General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Military Governor, a usually reliable source said here today.

General Robertson asked for time to consider it, this source stated.—Reuter.

BURMA CLAIMS YAMETHIN

Rangoon, May 10.
The Burma Army today announced tonight that Government forces had captured the Central Burma railway town of Yamethin. The Radio claimed that Government troops had thrust 30 miles North beyond Yamethin to attack rebel forces at Shwemyo.

Road and railway communications between Mandalay and the Burma Army centre of Mawmyo were restored. On the Chinese Burma frontier, Burmese troops have been alerted after Chinese Communist guerrillas—500 strong—attacked Mawmyaw, 90 miles from the Burma border, the Radio said.—Reuter.

FIRE SWEEPS I.G. FACTORY

Hoechst, American Zone,

A fire swept the paint and dye works of the former I.G. Farben (dyestuffs) combine here today, causing damage estimated by the manager at many thousands of marks. The flames, visible two miles away, destroyed about a third of the two-storey plant. Firemen took an hour to bring the blaze under control.—Reuter.

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Tip From The Duke



The Duke of Edinburgh handed out advice before the bouts, and prizes afterwards, when he watched a boys boxing tournament at the Dockland East London. Here he is with boy boxers before the fighting started. AP Photo.

Strong Words On Spain In U.S. Senate

Washington, May 10.
The United States diplomatic boycott of Franco Spain came under strong fire in the Senate today, with Democratic Senator Tom Connally openly criticising the State Department policy.

Mr. Connally, Chairman of the powerful Foreign Relations Committee, branded the boycott as "inconsistent and urged that an envoy be sent to Madrid."

A number of other Senators of both parties also demanded action now to resume diplomatic and expanded trade relations.

Several Senators mentioned the difficulties of trading with Spain in the absence of formal relations. They also pointed to Spain as a potential ally in the cold war with Russia.

Senator Pat McCarran, Democrat, touched off the debate, saying that all Democratic, God-fearing, liberty loving nations want Spain included among the ranks of those opposing Communism.

But he asserted this country's delegates stood mute when a United Nations Committee voted last Saturday to lift a two-year-old ban on full diplomatic recognition of the Franco regime by UN members.

"Why should we give the cold shoulder to a great nation and a great government at a time when this government is reaching out for everything that will keep us out of war?" he asked.—Associated Press.

Communist MP On Singapore

London, May 10.
Mr. Philip Piratin, (Communist, asked the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, in Parliament today if he knew that in Singapore out of a population of 680,000 only 6,600 people were qualified to vote in the municipal elections.

He further asked how many were disqualified because of the property qualifications and urged the Minister to remove these restrictions.

Mr. Creech Jones replied that the figure of 6,600 was that of people who had registered as voters and not the total of those qualified. He did not know the number who were disqualified. The property qualification was the subject of a Bill now being considered by the Legislative Council of Singapore, he added.—Reuter.

Bonn Is Capital Of West Germany

Bonn, May 10.

The city of Bonn on the Rhine was tonight chosen as the West German capital. The voting by the West German Constituent Assembly here was 33 in favour of Bonn against 29 for Frankfurt.

The exact party composition of the vote was not known as the ballot was secret, but was believed that almost all the Social Democrats and a few Liberals, as well as two Christian Democrats from Hesse, voted for Frankfurt, while all the other Christian Democrats and Liberals (Catholic Centre and Lower Saxony Federalists) voted for Bonn. The two Communists in the Constituent Assembly abstained.

The vote was received with stormy applause in the gallery. The University city of Bonn was internationally known as a centre of learning before the two world wars, but 95 per cent of the University buildings and the Library were destroyed by bombing in 1944.

The city, which dates from the time of the Romans and was at one time the residence of the Electors of Cologne, stands on the left bank of the Rhine, about 15 miles up-stream from Cologne.

Although badly damaged as a result of the war, it still retains much of its beauty. The house in which Beethoven was born and the Beethoven Museum escaped serious damage.

Decision Delayed

The decision was delayed for hours tonight, by a discussion of the Electoral Law. Throughout the day, lobbying went on to swing waverers one way or the other—for the selection of Frankfurt or Bonn. The Bavarian Government will ask the State Parliament to call a plebiscite on the West German Constitution adopted at Bonn, it was officially announced at Munich today.

The people of Bavaria will be asked today.

SUCCESS AGAINST HUKS

Manila, May 11.
Press reports from Cebu today said today that an Army battery of 105 mm guns scored a direct hit on a Huk concentration near the town of Rizal, Nueva Ecija, killing 17 Huk leaders, including a unit leader known by the battle name of Ivanhoe.

The shelling was part of the all-out operations in Eastern Nueva Ecija against dissidents who kill Mrs. Aurora Quezon and 11 others.—United Press.

Only Small Delegation For Britain

London, May 10.

Britain will send a very small delegation to the Paris meeting of the Foreign Ministers Council which opens on May 23, a usually reliable source said today.

Additional experts will be flown from London as required.

London, it is felt, is sufficiently close to Paris to make it unnecessary to include in the British delegation all advisers who may need to be consulted during the conference.

Usually well-informed quarters here expect the British delegation to consist of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, General Sir Brian Robertson, British Military Governor in Germany, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, head of the Foreign Office's German Department, Mr. Patrick Dean, head of the Foreign Office's German Political Department, and Mr. Christopher Steel, Political Adviser to General Robertson.

Already There

Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, Mr. Dean and Mr. Steel will already be in Paris for the preliminary conversations between British, French and the United States opening this week-end.

Mr. Bevin and Mr. Dean, Ambassador, the United States Secretary of State, may go to Paris for preliminary talks during the week-end before the opening of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

Mr. Bevin will probably be accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. A. Barclay, and by Mr. William G. Brown, head of the Foreign Office's News Department.

Mr. Ridsdale has accompanied the Foreign Secretary on every official trip abroad since the Potsdam Conference, and Mr. Bevin's flying visit to Germany last week-end.—Reuter.

SOLUTION TO N. EAST PROBLEMS

Washington, May 11.
Stanton Griffis, Ambassador to Egypt, has offered his own theories for the solving of the problem of the Near East.

Talking to newsmen after making a report to President Harry Truman, Mr. Griffis said: "Any solution which guarantees safety and peace in and around Jerusalem and free access by all creeds to the holy places and the upkeep and care of Jewish, Christian and Moslem shrines is a good solution."

He would not discuss the internationalisation of Jerusalem or talk about future plans except to say that he is looking forward to retirement.

At the same time he indicated that he wants to stay on the job as long as he can help with the problems of the Near East.

The Ambassador said he is interested in the human side of problems and the feeding of hungry people rather than the political side.

Mr. Griffis said that the solution to peace in the Near East is to give people more arable lands.

"That's the whole secret of development in the Near East," he said.—Associated Press.

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EIRE PREMIER CALLS FOR PARTITION'S END

Britain Attacked For Political Cowardice "RIGHT TO UNITY"

Dublin, May 10.

Premier John A. Costello of Ireland moved a resolution in the Dail (Irish Parliament) today calling upon Britain to end the present occupation of Northern Ireland.

The resolution recorded an indignant protest against the introduction in the British House of Commons of the Ireland Bill, which guarantees Northern Ireland's present status.

It described the British bill, which comes up for its second reading in the House of Commons this week, as purporting to endorse and continue the existing partition of Ireland.

The resolution called on the British Government to end the present partition of the six North Eastern counties and thereby enable the unity of Ireland to be restored and age-long differences between the two nations brought to an end.

Moving the resolution Mr. Costello said that the British bill gave full British backing to the partition of Ireland. "British Governments—Tory and Labour—will lose nothing from a peaceful and friendly Ireland, but will give nothing to Ireland unless she becomes a nuisance to them," he declared. He accused the British Prime Minister and some of his colleagues of vindictiveness in the introduction of this bill, but added that they were guilty of stupidity and political cowardice. "We can hit Britain in her prestige, in her pride and in her pocket—and every effort we can do we will do, if we are faced with this terrible alternative," Mr. Costello said. "Eire, he continued, would take every lawful means in her power to thwart the designs of the so-called democratic Government of Britain."

He believed, that the British bill was introduced in order that the nations who had signed or could sign the Atlantic Pact would be forced by their signatures to guarantee the integrity of Northern Ireland. The purpose of the Act was "that in no event would justice be done to the people who had been coerced (in Northern Ireland) and were being kept there against their will."

Mr. Eamon de Valera, said he had warned everybody that the introduction of the bill would sow anew the seeds of enmity between the two peoples. He could see no reason for the bill, it was not in any way necessary. It seemed to have been designed by someone who wished to give the Irish people a slap in the face.

"Why should the British Parliament in this way try to assert a claim which it knew would be resisted so long as the Irish people existed?"

Malignant Spirits
"This bill," he said, "is proposed to perpetuate, as far as it can, the division of Ireland. It looks as if some malignant spirits must be at work stirring up old animosities. We have always told the British that the basis of good relations between the two countries depended on the abolition of partition."

Mr. de Valera continued, "I hope, in the interests of good relations between the two peoples, that Ireland desires Britain to be strong and would like to help her, but apparently Britain does not want it."

Question Of Diplomatic Immunity Delaying Trip Of British Envoy

London, May 11.

The Foreign Office yesterday said that the question of diplomatic immunity is delaying the departure of the British representative to Israel. A spokesman added the question is expected to be settled in a day or two.

Britain has named A. K. Helm as its representative in Tel Aviv. Britain has accorded Israel de facto recognition, acknowledging its existence as a state. But Britain has not yet given Israel de jure recognition, which would recognize the government in power.

At issue are the questions of fiscal and jurisdictional immunity applying to the British mission to Tel Aviv and the Israel mission to London.

The Foreign Office said it would be easy to grant fiscal immunity—exemption of the missions from customs duties, taxes and other charges. But because of the lack of de

"Insofar as we can, we will insist on the right of our nation to unity."

Mr. De Valera suggested that even at that late hour, they might try to get people of influence, such as the Commonwealth statesmen, to intervene. "I am willing to devote the remainder of my life to cementing good relations with Britain on the basis of Irish rights," he continued.

"The bond of friendship is offered to Britain; will she spurn it? If she does we will not like it, but the enemies of Britain will be glad. "Why should Britain give us an interest in her downfall? There are here a dissatisfied Irish people who can only be welcome to peoples who wish to see Britain fall. I hope that the old animosities were dying away and might not be revived again."

On Mr. De Valera's suggestion, it was decided to circulate a copy of the resolution to all countries with which Eire had diplomatic relations.—Reuter.

KNICKERBOCKER COMING TO HONG KONG

Manila, May 11.

Father Knickerbocker, legendary personification of New York City, arrived by plane this morning on a westward-bound world tour as New York's goodwill trade emissary. Knickerbocker was personified by James J. O'Brien, secretary of the New York City Department of Public Works. He was welcomed at the airport by high government officials and prominent businessmen.

Mr. O'Brien will call on President Quirino this afternoon. He will be the guest of honour at noon today at a luncheon given by the American Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Tomorrow he will address a Rotary Club luncheon.

Mr. O'Brien's goodwill tour will be resumed on Friday when he flies to Hong Kong at 9 a.m.—United Press.

WEDDING PARTY DISASTER

Gauhati, Assam, May 10.

Fifteen people in a wedding party of 30 were killed today when a truck, in which they were travelling, struck a culvert and turned over into a ditch 240 miles from here.

The bride and the bridegroom, who were in a following car, escaped injury.—Reuter.

Trial Of Priest Suspended

Rome, May 11.

The trial here of former Monsignor Edouardo Pretner, Clippico was suspended yesterday when the prosecution asked the court to make further investigation.

The prosecution said, from the first part of the debate, new facts have emerged which might lead to the prosecution of some of the witnesses.

The ex-Prelate, unfrocked by the Holy See, is on trial for theft, forgery, misappropriation of jewels, illegal traffic in foreign exchange and swindling more than one and a half million dollars. His trial opened formally on April 21 and the questioning of witnesses began on April 26.—Associated Press.

MOUNTAIN WAR ON SICILY

Palemo, May 10.

More than 1,000 Carabinieri, troops and police were deploying today for an assault on the mountain hideout of Sicily master bandit, Salvatore Giuliano. Giuliano has issued a manifesto addressed to the "gnomes of liberty," to which he has attached an offer of fighting pay, equivalent to £45 a month, for new recruits, men and women.

The assault forces, lining up against the 28-year-old bandit in his rocky, cave-riddled mountain territory, are under the command of a joint staff headed by Italy's Chief of Police, General Giovanni d'Antoni.

The number of police casualties in clashes with the bandits over the past few weeks has brought left-wing Parliamentarian criticism of the Minister of the Interior, Signor Mario Scelba, who is accused by Communist deputies of bungling the mountain war.

The pro-Communist newspaper, Il Paese, today published a cartoon depicting Signor Scelba as reading a letter from Giuliano, offering to make him Minister of the Interior in the bandit's own mountain government—for services rendered.

Sardinian Vote

Meanwhile, the Communist and Monarchist Parties made sharp advances at the expense of the Christian Democrat Party at last Sunday's Sardinian elections for the island's first Parliament, the Italian Ministry of the Interior disclosed today.

It forecast the composition of the 60-seat Assembly, on the basis of the votes cast as: Christian Democrats 22 seats; Communists 13; Monarchists seven; Sardinian Action Party seven; Sardinian Socialist Party three; Italian Social Movement three; pro-Communist Socialists three; anti-Communist Socialists one and Liberals one.

Sardinia is the fourth of the 15 Italian regions due to elect their first local assemblies by October in regional autonomy experiments authorized by the Constitution.

Provisional results issued tonight by the Ministry of the Interior showed that the Christian Democrats had obtained 103, 553 votes, the Communist Party 110,244 and the Monarchists 60,048.

The figures in the 1948 elections were: Christian Democrats 311,282; Communists (allied with leftists) 122,314; Monarchists 46,160.—Reuter.

Princess Margaret Sees Pope Pius XII

Rome, May 10.

Pope Pius XII today sent his greetings to the British Royal Family and his hopes for the improved health of King George when he received Princess Margaret for a 20-minute audience.

The Princess wore the traditional long black dress with long sleeves, black gloves and a black veil at the audience. A Vatican communique issued afterwards said: "The Holy Father had a pleasant talk with the Princess."

The audience, which took place in the Pope's private library, was described by British officials as a semi-official visit, in keeping with the private character of the Princess's visit to Italy. They said that she was being received with a ceremony in accordance with her rank and at her own request no newspapermen would be admitted to the Vatican.

Sixteen spectators—15 adults and a child—stood on St. Peter's to see the Princess pass through the 1,000-year old gateway. She was received in the San Damaso Courtyard by two Gentlemen-in-Waiting of the Sword and Cloak.

When the audience was over, the Princess was taken to see the famous Sixtine Chapel. The Gentlemen-in-Waiting escorted her up the noble staircase to the entrance of the Hall of Pope Clement, where the Princess and her party were met by Monsignor Federico Calini di Vignale, who was acting as the Master-of-the-Pope's Chambers.

Monsignor Callari di Vignale was dressed in the crimson robes of a Monsignor.

Photographs Banned

Photographs of both the Princess's arrival and departure from the Courtyard were banned.

The Princess was accompanied into the private library by Mr. Victor Perovna, the British Minister to the Holy See. The other members of her party waited outside in the San Giovanni anti-chamber, to be received by the Pope later.

Earlier, Princess Margaret had luncheon with the Italian President, Signor Luigi Einaudi, at the Quirinale, the former Italian Royal Palace, and now the President's residence.

This morning she visited the Capitol, the sacred hill from which the legendary geese cackled to save Rome—now the centre of Roman civic life and seat of museums showing classical sculpture and painting.

Earlier Italy's Government leaders honoured Princess Margaret at a luncheon in the Quirina De Palace.

President Einaudi was host at the luncheon a few hours before the 18-year-old British Princess climaxed her Italian holiday with a call on Pope Pius XII. Guests included the Premier Mr. Alcide De Gasperi, the Foreign Minister, Council Carlo Sforza, Giovanni Gronchi, President of the Chamber of Deputies and Ivanoe Bonomi, President of the Senate, and their wives.

Huge Corazzieri, former elite guard of the King of Italy, stood to attention as the Princess was escorted up the marble steps to the dining room.

The British guests included Sir Victor Mallet, British Ambassador, and Lady Mallet, Major T. C. Harvey and Lady Harvey, who have been conducting the Princess on her holiday, and E. B. C. Howard, Secretary of the British Embassy, and Mrs. Howard.

Shortly before 4 p.m. GMT the Princess entered the Vatican city through the Arch of the Bells. The Royal party was in two cars. In the first rode Princess Margaret, wearing a black lace dress and veil, and Sir John V. T. Perewé, British Minister to the Holy See.

In the second car came Major Harvey and Lady Harvey. The Princess left her car in the San Damaso courtyard where she was received by a Chamberlain and then introduced to Professor Nogara, Director of the Vatican Museums, who accompanied her to the loggia and rooms decorated by Raphael and to the Sixtine Chapel. Reuter and Associated Press.

Labour Party Loses Further Ground In UK

London, May 11.

Britain's Labour Party lost ground to the Conservatives on the first day of the week's local elections incomplete and unofficial returns showed yesterday.

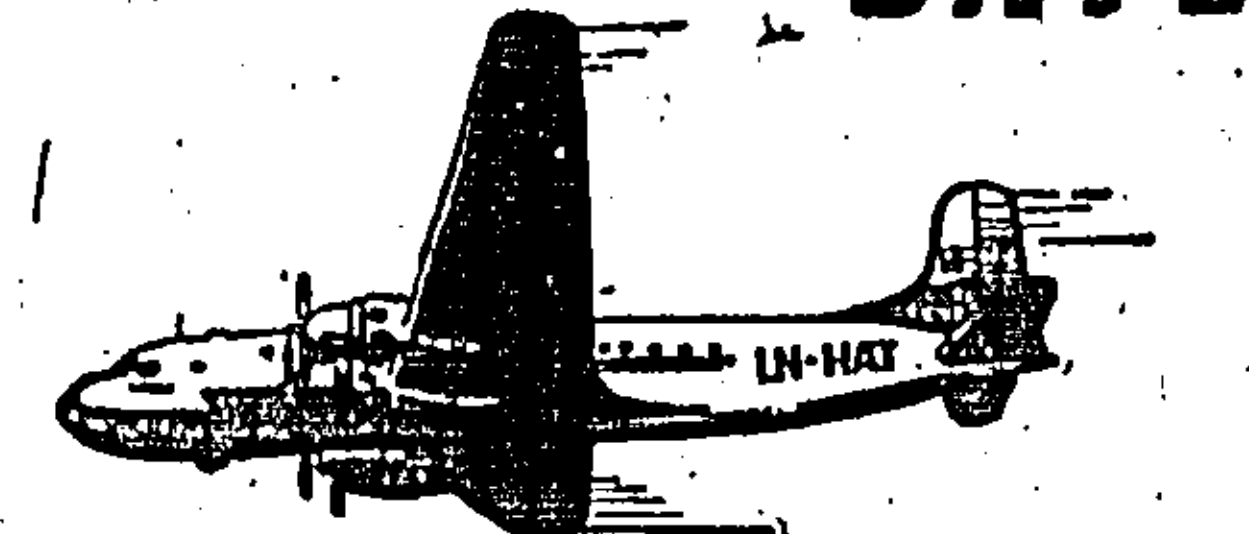
Figures from both the Government party and the Conservative Opposition pointed to a loss for the Socialists in voting for Urban and Rural District Council seats on Monday.

The results are being closely watched as a possible barometer of national feeling towards the Labour Government. An annual election is due for next year.

The Conservatives claimed that they gained 69 seats and lost only five, a net gain of 64 in 252 Urban and Rural districts of England and Wales.

The Conservative Party said that Labour gained 23 seats against a loss of 65, for a net loss of 42. Liberal gains were put at four with eight losses; Communist gains, none; losses two; Independents with Conservative support, gains 12, losses 10; Independents without Conservative support, gains 13, losses 26.—Associated Press.

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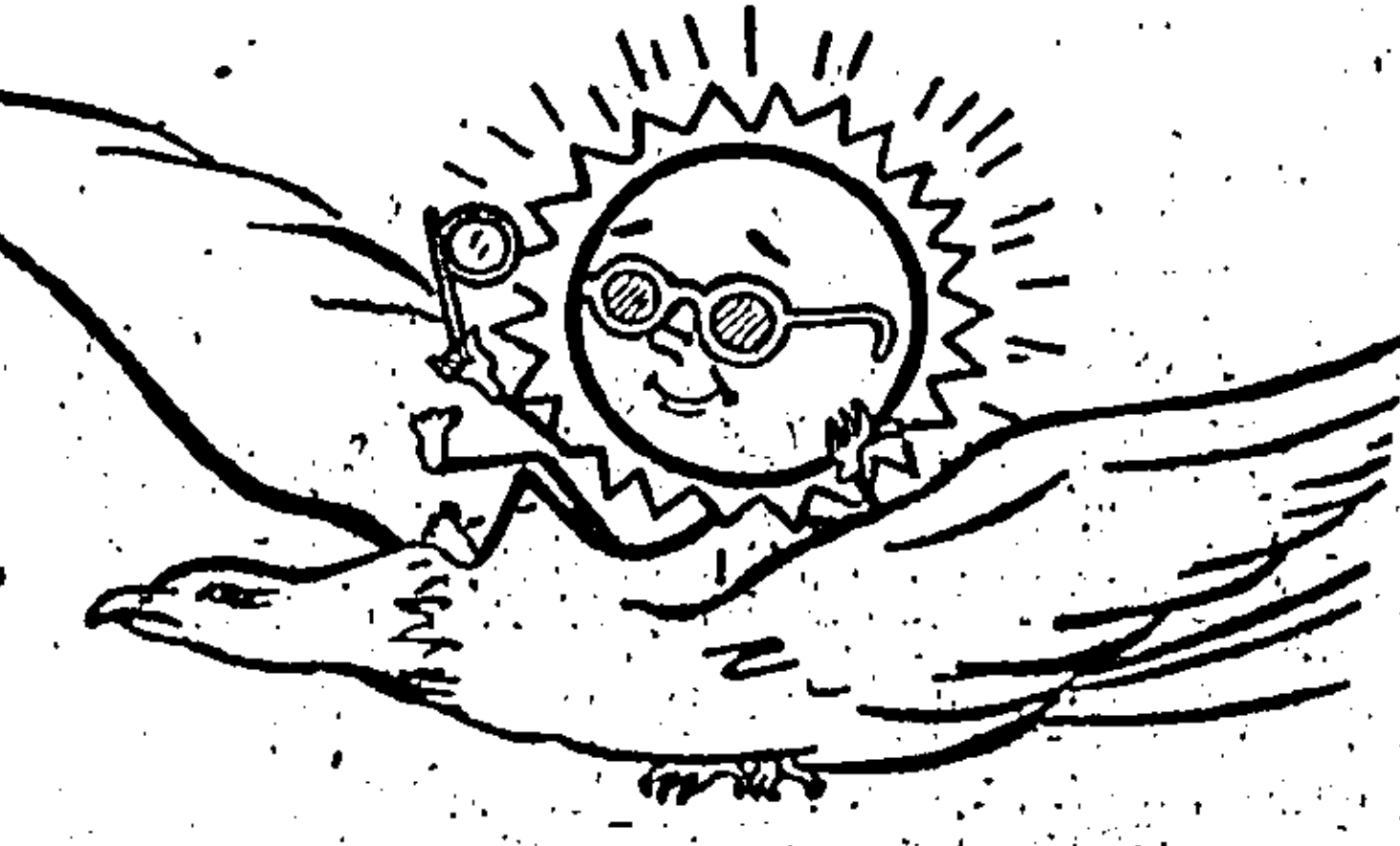
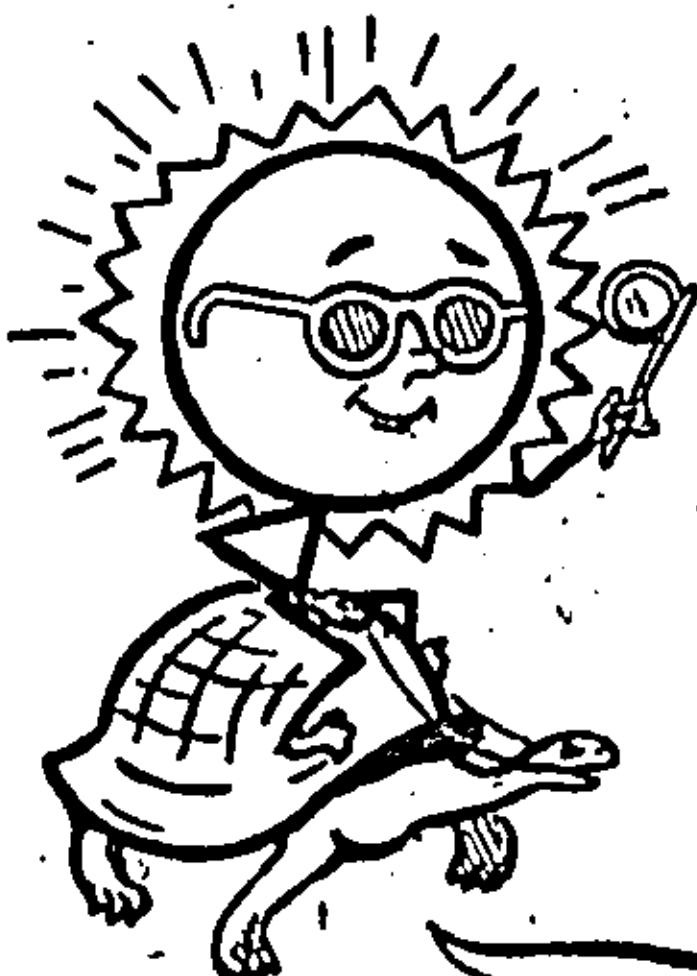
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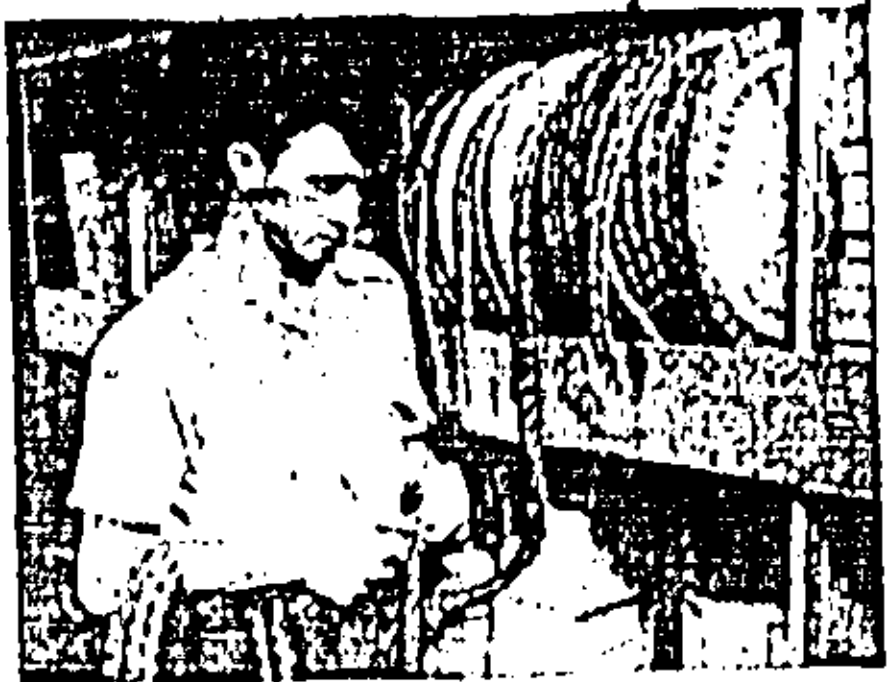
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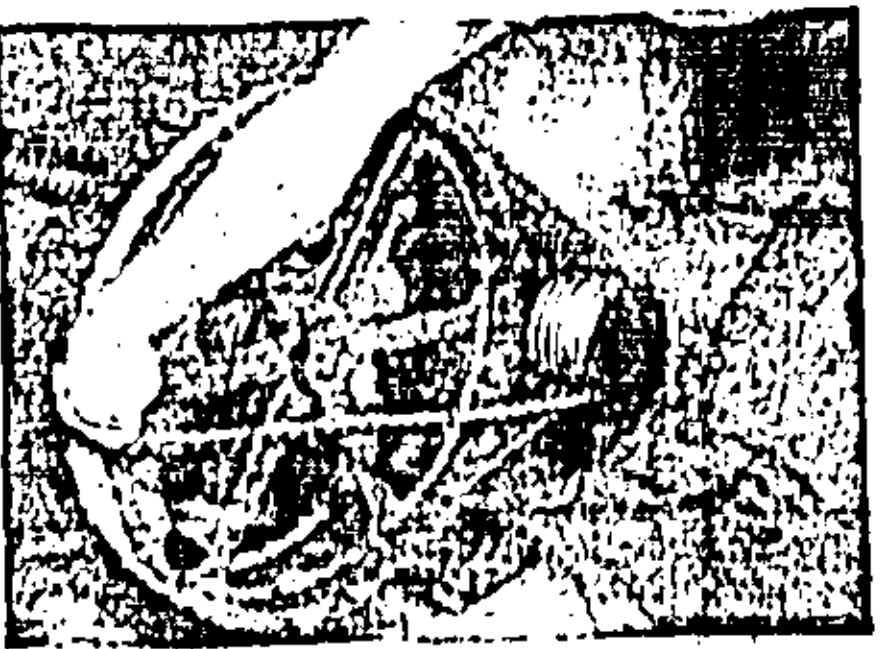
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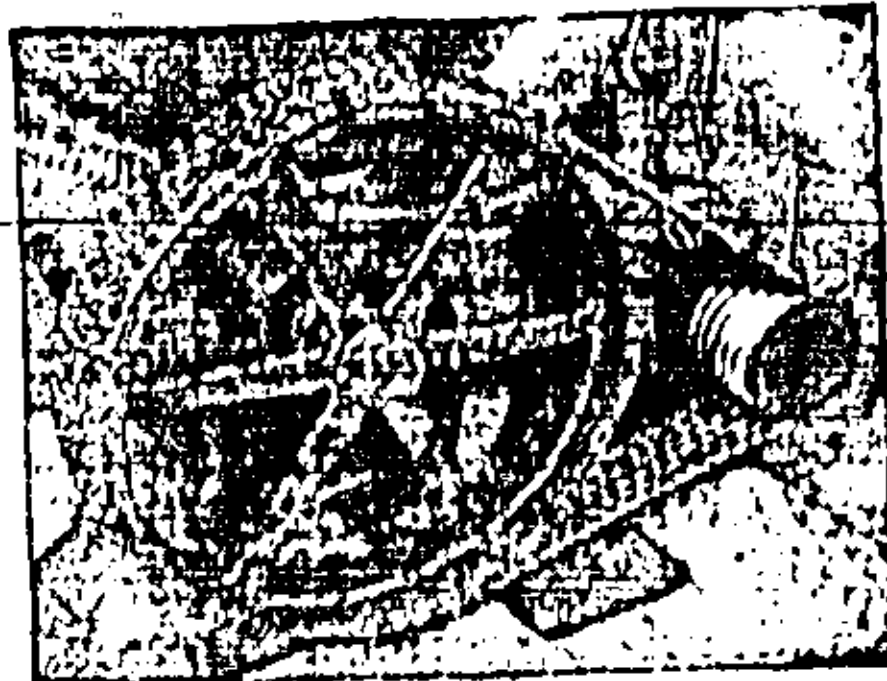
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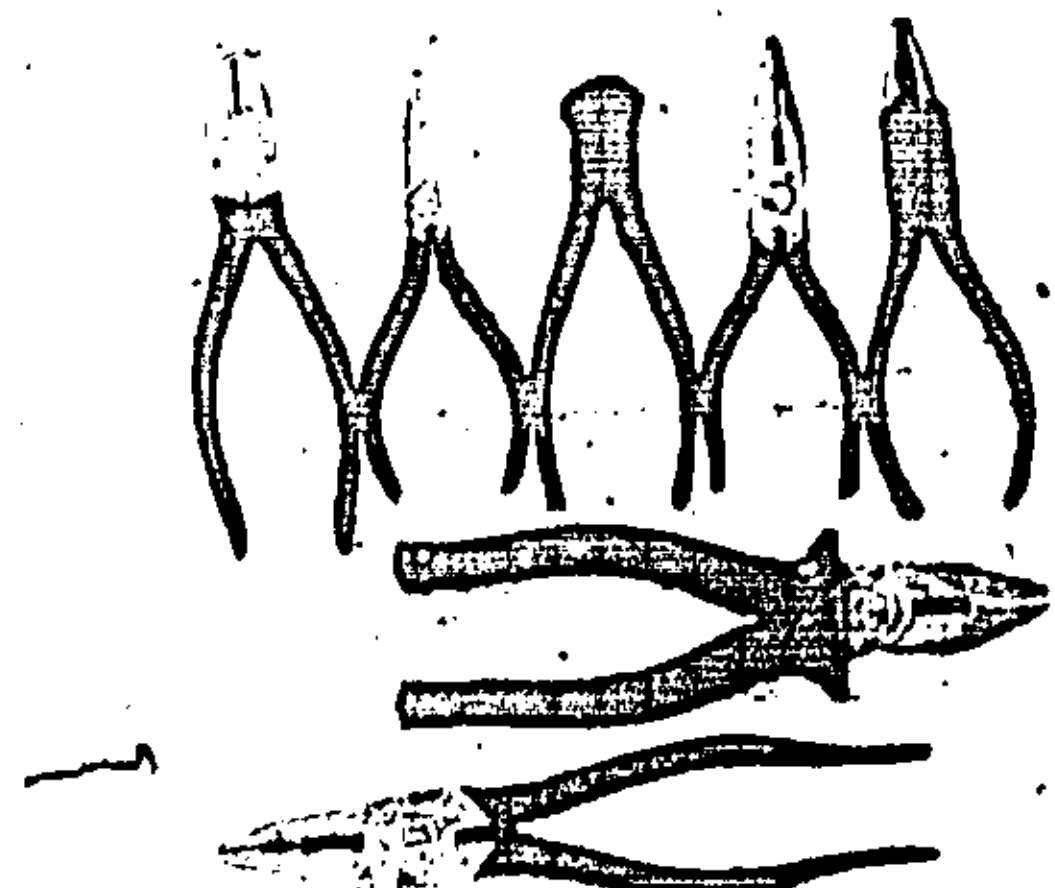


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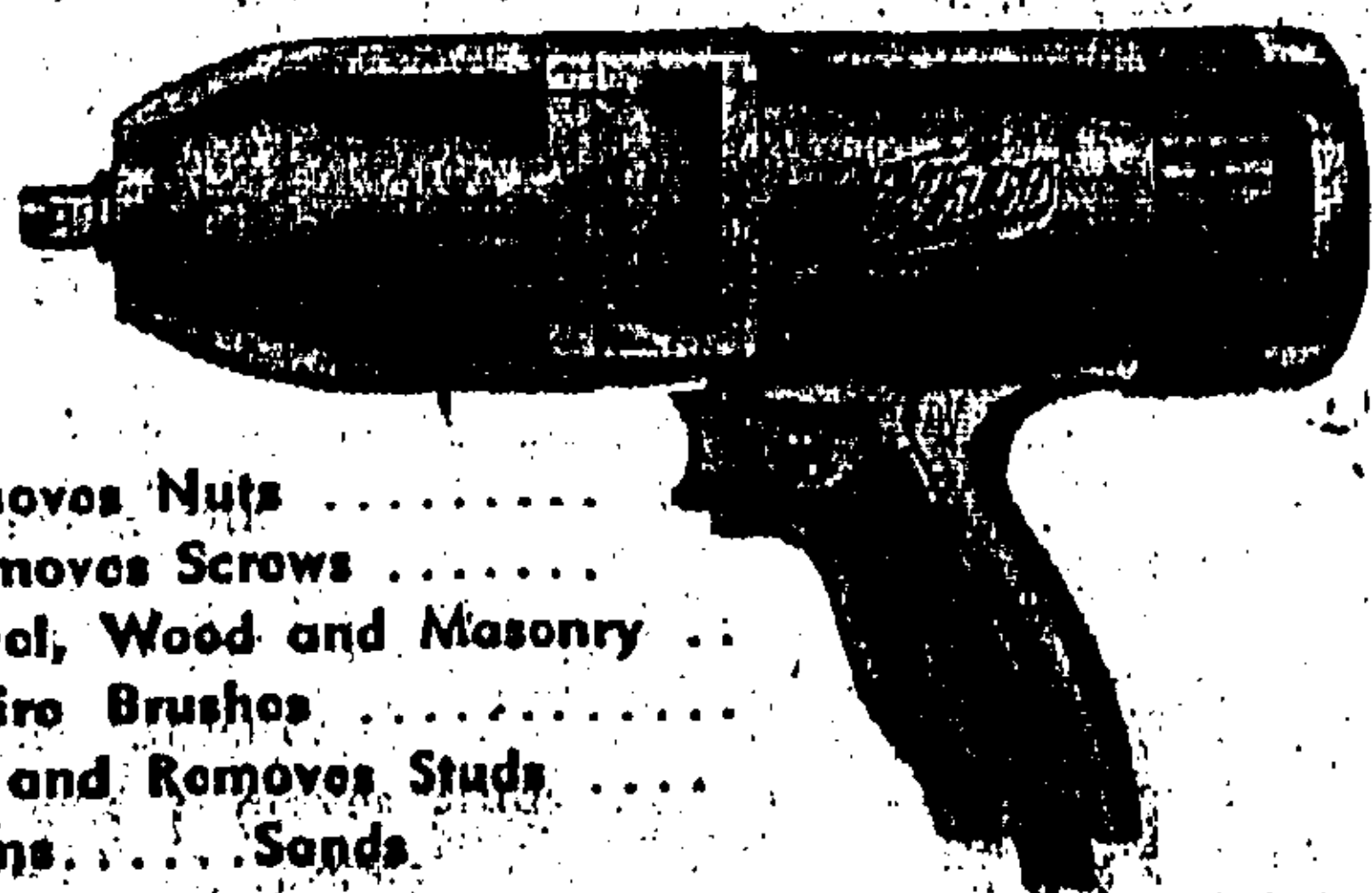
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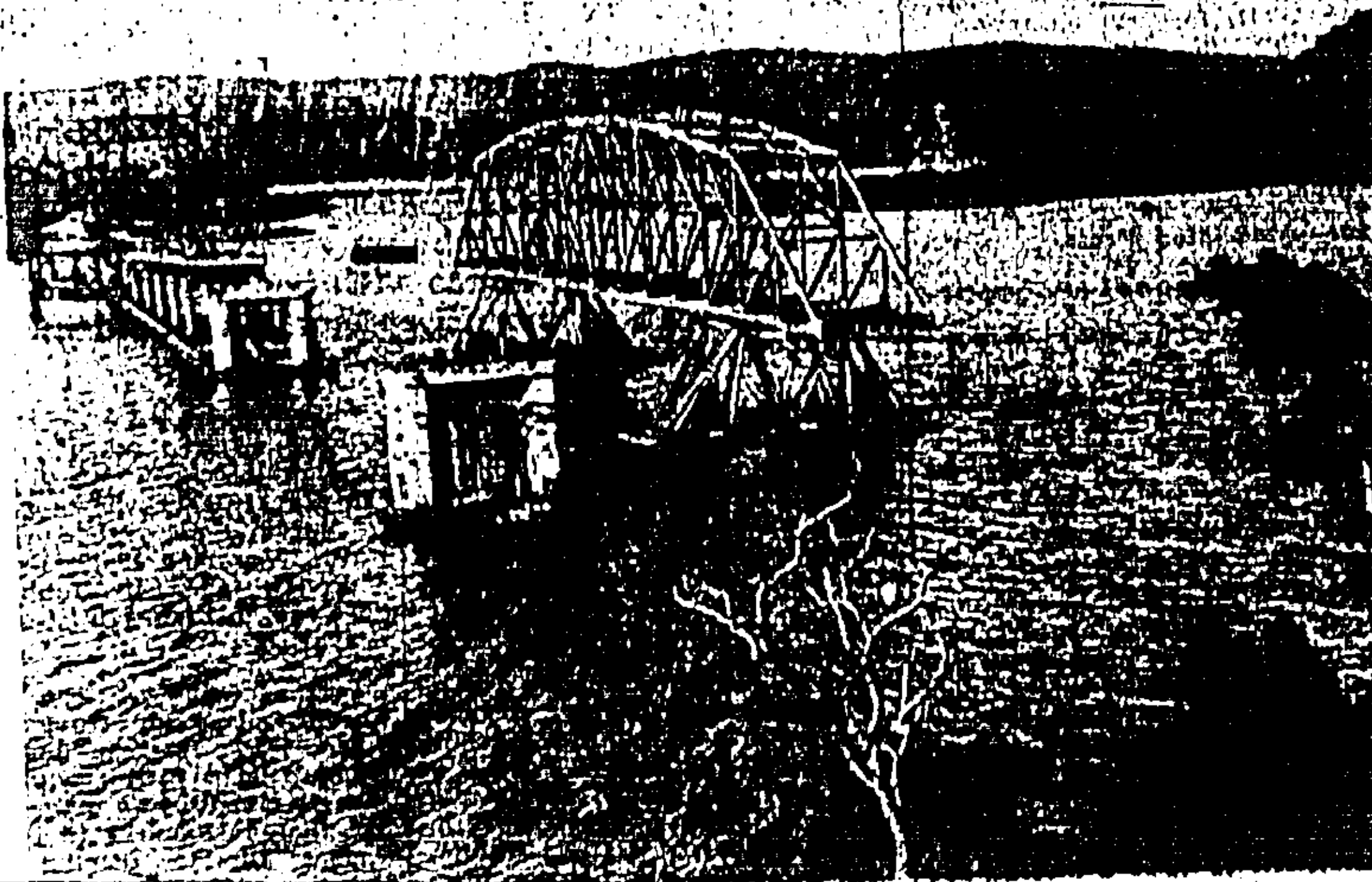
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ENGINEERING PAGE**Welded Bridges Down Under**

The first span being floated into position during the construction (during World War II) of the Hawkesbury River bridge of two welded truss spans each of 438 feet, believed to be the biggest welded spans yet attempted in the world. The bridge, North of Sydney, was opened for traffic in 1945.

ALUMINIUM SHEET HAS RECORD OF RELIABILITY

Aluminium sheet has a long and well-proved record of reliability and economical service for a wide range of permanent building applications. In the severe industrial atmospheres and under extreme climatic conditions, notably in the tropics, aluminium has demonstrated its remarkable qualities of endurance by comparison with other building materials.

The special properties of aluminium—notably its durability, lightness and strength—have established it as an ideal material for such building applications as roofing and siding, flashings and weatherings, gutters, glazing bars, structural members and decorative trim.

Aluminium sheet supplied by the British Aluminium Company has been found to be in excellent condition after 30 years' service in direct contact with sulphurous fumes. In less severe atmosphere conditions in residential and agricultural areas the metal has been found to be in perfect condition after considerably longer periods.

Aluminium is the only major industrial material available at home pre-war price levels. It is in good supply with early delivery and without the difficulties of special licensing.

The range of aluminium products for the building industry supplied by the British Aluminium Company has now been extended to include Rigidal, Corrugated Aluminium sheet made on the latest type of precision corrugating machinery from sheet produced at the new Falkirk Works the most modern rolling mills in England.

Building Material
Rigidal is a general purpose building material specially adapted for (a) agricultural buildings (b) residential roofing (c) industrial buildings.

Corrugated aluminium sheet is not a new and untried development. As long ago as 1800 the Chief Secretary's Office of the New South Wales Government Building, Sydney, Australia, was roofed with this material and its use in this instance has provided a convincing case history of the durability of aluminium for roofing. When this particular roof was dismantled in 1937 the general condition of the sheet after 37

years' service was excellent. The total cost of a building is its cost per year of service. On this basis corrugated aluminium sheet is a most economical material by virtue of its long life and negligible maintenance costs. Backed by the technical service and modern production facilities of the British Aluminium Company, Rigidal is now available to architects, builders and contractors in an initial range of designs particularly suited for industrial and agricultural use overseas and in addition for residential buildings in the tropics.

The alloy standardised for Rigidal corrugated aluminium sheet is BA-60, and aluminium alloy containing 1.25 per cent manganese which is highly resistant to corrosive influences, particularly from industrial fumes of a sulphurous nature.

This metal forms its own protective oxide film which is renewed if the surface should be accidentally scratched. Being homogeneous, the metal is not affected by the punching of holes for nails, rivets or hook bolts, which in some materials tend to create points at which corrosion commences.

Steel Sheet
According to recent information published by the Zinc Development Association, the useful life of galvanised steel sheet with coating thickness of one ounce of zinc a square foot of surface is of the following order:

(a) In industrial atmospheres, 3-5 years.
(b) In suburban districts or in towns where no heavy industries cause atmospheric pollution, 10 years.
(c) In marine conditions, i.e. exposed to sea air, 14 years.
(d) In agricultural areas, 17 years.

By comparison with these figures, corrugated aluminium sheet supplied by the British Aluminium Company has withstood direct contact with sulphurous fumes in an industrial condition for 15 years and is still in good condition. Further, there is on record a test case where aluminium flashings have successfully withstood acetic acid fumes in a large chemical works for 20 years in agricultural areas the life of corrugated aluminium sheet will naturally be very much longer.

Replacement Cost

The extensive action of fume in industrial areas means that replacement costs which can be minimised by the use of Rigidal corrugated aluminium sheet.

The second major factor in the general economy made possible by using Rigidal is the relatively low cost per year of service as a result of its excellent durability.

The third factor in the increased economy through the use of Rigidal is the elimination of maintenance costs such as painting and repairs. When a building can be left in perfect safety without painting, the metal requires no additional protective treatment.

Further, the risk of damage to the contents of the building through leakage from faulty roofs is eliminated. This Rigidal can be used for the protection of stock and plant, particularly in warehouses, arising from leakage through roofs.

Rigidal weighs approximately half as much as a square, as galvanised iron sheeting of equivalent initial strength. The cost of transport of roofing material to site is therefore very substantially reduced where Rigidal is used. In the export market where portage over long distances to site often involves very heavy transport costs this factor is of particular importance.

Workmen on site can conveniently handle four or five sheets at a time and thus the hoisting of sheet to a high roof is a much easier and quicker operation, saving valuable fixing time as compared with heavier materials. Now that wages are a much higher percentage of the total cost of building than hitherto, this is an important factor to architects, builders and contractors.

As an additional contribution to the economy made possible through lightness, ease of erection is increased by the suitability of Rigidal for prefabrication and the fact that no special tools or training are necessary for workmen engaged on erection.

Cathode Stabilised Camera.

The Cathode Potential Stabilised camera, recently invented in Britain, can operate in all lighting conditions, even by candle-light.

Manufactured by Electrical and Musical Industries Limited, of Hayes, Middlesex, England, the new television camera is capable of taking clear pictures on a dull winter's day and it can focus near or distant objects in clear outline without adjustment. Moreover, the camera is smaller and more streamlined than other types. Thus the new camera not only makes outdoor shooting easier but also obviates both the excessively hot lights and the heavy make-up for actors previously required in television studios.

The first prototype of the C.P.S. camera was used at the wedding of Princess Elizabeth with the Duke of Edinburgh but has been greatly improved since then. Two new models, built to British Broadcasting Corporation specifications by Electrical and Musical Industries and Pye Limited of Cambridge, England, embody the latest improvements. Each unit contains in one vehicle three cameras and their associated control and monitoring apparatus. Each of channel, cameraman, separate control engineer. They will operate, wherever possible, with the normal theatre lighting and have a far greater depth of focus than older types of camera. A lens turret enables the operator to select with the minimum of delay anything from a long-range telephoto lens to a close-up.

Another improvement is an electronic viewfinder in which a camera picture is seen. Earlier types of cameras have optical viewfinders which invert the image, making the job of following movement far more difficult for the cameraman.

Overseas industrial circles and governments are already negotiating about the export of the new camera as soon as it can be produced in quantity.

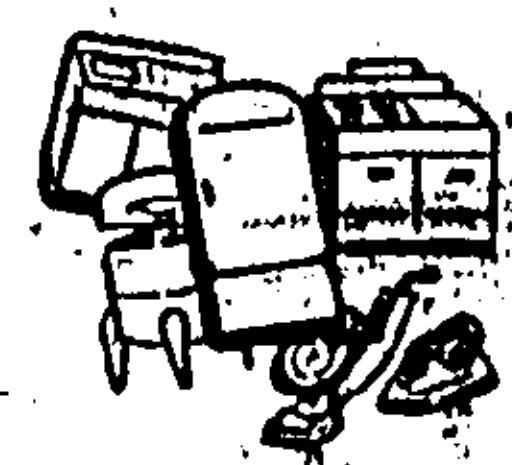
Long-Distance Radar Use

Experiments in the measurement of long-distance use of radar, are being carried out by the Australian Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. Distances up to 250 miles have been measured in a few hours, and results have proved accurate to within 30 yards.

It would take about two months for surveyors to obtain similar results by ordinary methods in uncharted country. The present degree of accuracy is sufficient for many purposes, but the Australian researchers are working to reduce the margin of error.

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Pact Due For U.S. Approval

Washington, May 10. The North Atlantic Treaty is expected to reach the U.S. Senate within the next 10 days for ratification, but no decision has yet been made to give priority in the overloaded Senate calendar.

The Foreign Relations Committee hearings on the Treaty are expected to finish in about a week when the Committee will prepare its report for the Senate.

Though the Committee is understood to favour early ratification, political circles feel that unless the Treaty receives priority over the proposed Fair-Hartley Labour Law debates, it will be another two months before it can be ratified.

Senator Tom Connally (Democrat), the Committee's Chairman, considers the Treaty will receive a vote about two weeks after the debate starts.

Senator Connally, who talked yesterday with the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, told reporters that Mr. Acheson had indicated he would like the Treaty and its arms programme to be approved by July 1.

Solid Approval

British Government quarters in London tonight predicted solid Parliamentary approval for the North Atlantic Pact in the House of Commons on Thursday. The Conservative Opposition was expected to back an overwhelming majority of Government supporters in the Labour Party.

The motion to approve the Pact is challenged only by a Communist amendment which appeared on the official Parliamentary papers today.

This amendment—in the name of Parliament's two Communist Members, Mr. William Gallacher and Mr. Philip Pirbright—argues the rejection of the motion on the grounds that the North Atlantic Treaty conflicts with the terms of the United Nations Charter and is aimed at military aggression against the Soviet Union.

Informed Parliamentary opinion tonight was that, if a division were forced, the Communists might command the support of one or two leftists outside the Labour Party and, under certain circumstances, provoke an anti-Pact vote from a handful of Labour Members as well.—Reuter.

Counterpart To Manila Rose Miracle

Manila, May 11.

The "miracle of roses" in Lipa, Batangas, which is continuing to attract thousands of people to that cathedral town, is reported to have a counterpart in a house in Manila's Sampaloc district near the Santo Tomas University compound.

The house where rose petals were said to have mysteriously appeared is the residence of a lawyer, Guillermo Blanco. Crowds have begun gathering in and around it.

Mrs. Ester Blanco, sister-in-law of the lawyer, told newsmen that members of the family went to Lipa on May 1 and obtained three petals, which were placed in a handkerchief. On May 3, she said, it was found there were 12 more petals in the handkerchief.

Thereafter, Mrs. Blanco added, petals appeared at the altar, where an image of Our Lady Medatrix had been enshrined, and showers of rose petals occurred daily in various parts of the house.—United Press.

Their Wealth On Her Head



At Kumbum, Panchen Lama's near Siring in Tseling Province, this Mongol couple help celebrate the annual "Butter Festival" by adorning the wife's head with their wondrous wealth. The headdress includes silver, coral and turquoise.—AP Photo.

Nehru Replies To Indian Critics, Defends Decision

New Delhi, May 10.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, today broadcast a long reply to Indian critics of the decisions of the London conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers which enabled Republican India to stay in the Commonwealth. He told his critics—most of whom belong to the India Socialist Party—that he associated himself with those fateful and historic decisions in the full belief that they were right for India and the world.

"I trust that the Indian people will also view them in that light," he said.

He had the impression that the vast majority of Indians welcomed the London decision, he said.

Some critics used strong language about what he had done, and even called it a great blunder and an outrage on the national sentiments of the Indian people.

During a fairly long career in India's service, he had often been accused of mistakes, but had never yet been charged with anything against the honour and self-respect of India or her people, he said.

Serious Matter

"It is a serious matter, therefore, if even a few persons whose opinions I value should consider that I have committed an outrage."

These critics were under some misapprehension, or

though something had been done in secrecy which had not seen the light of day.

"I wish to say that nothing has been done in secrecy and that no commitments of any kind limiting our sovereignty or our internal or external policy have been made, whether in the political or economic or military spheres," he said.

Pandit Nehru said that much was being done in parts of the Commonwealth which was exceedingly distasteful to us and against which we have struggled in the past.

"That is a matter to be dealt with by us as a sovereign nation. Let us not mix up things which should be kept separate."

"Let us not waste our energy at this critical moment in world history over empty debates, but rather let us concentrate on the urgent tasks of today so that India may be great and strong and in a position to play a beneficent part in Asia and the world."—Reuter.

Memorandum On India's Finances

London, May 10.

Authoritative sources confirmed today that Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, handed a memorandum to Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, when the latter was recently here for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference, expressing the deep concern felt by the British Government at the very heavy rate at which India was drawing on her free sterling balances.

The memorandum was in the nature of a reply by the British Government to questions already discussed by the Joint Financial Consultative Committee in New Delhi in February.

It is stated that there were no direct talks with Pandit Nehru on this matter but advantage was taken of his presence to present the memorandum to him instead of sending it through the channel of the British High Commissioner in New Delhi, and also to stress the importance attached by Britain to the issue.

It is learned here that India has already drawn not only the £20 million free balance brought forward from 1947-48 available up to June 1949, under the agreement concluded last year, but has heavily drawn on the £40 million allotted for 1949-50. This has put the British Government in an embarrassing position in view of the unrequited exports out of all expectations.

India's Trade

On the Indian side, it is explained that these heavy drawings were necessitated by the fact that a large country of the size and population of India had a crying need of consumer and capital goods following the end of the war.

India has, however, appreciated the position which would have a very adverse effect on her own economy in years to come, and has now withdrawn the open general licences as a preliminary to reviewing her entire import policy.

It is authoritatively learned that no reference was made in the memorandum to the conclusion by India of bilateral agreements with other countries. But the result of some of these agreements is felt in British circles to be that Britain has to turn to harder currency areas for her own requirements of raw materials which India can give.

On this question, however, it is explained that India's position is different from other sterling area countries. The latter can draw theoretically to any amount on the dollar resources of Britain for their essential requirements, while their own individual dollar earnings go into the Central Pool, although, in practice, countries like Australia shape their import policy in order to keep down dollar expenditure to a minimum.

India, however, was compelled to restrict her hard currency expenditure to the £16,000,000 released by Britain for 1948-49 and her deficit has to be made up by her own earnings in hard currencies.—Reuter.

Protest Against House Of Savoy Deposit In UK

London, May 10.

Mr. Thomas Skellington Lodge, Labour, protested in Parliament today against the £10 million, held in London for the House of Savoy, being released for payment in sterling when all other financial deposits owned by Italians had been made in lire.

He asserted that this had created an extremely unfavourable impression in Republican circles in Italy and among a large section of British public opinion.

"Why should preferential treatment be given to those people who, at the time, appeared to be nothing but tools of Mussolini?" he asked.

Mr. Harold Wilson, the President of the Board of Trade, replied that this estate, which was very much less than the stated figure, had not been treated specially. It was dealt with strictly in accordance with arrangements approved by the House of Government to apply to estates of Italians who had died during the war.—Reuter.

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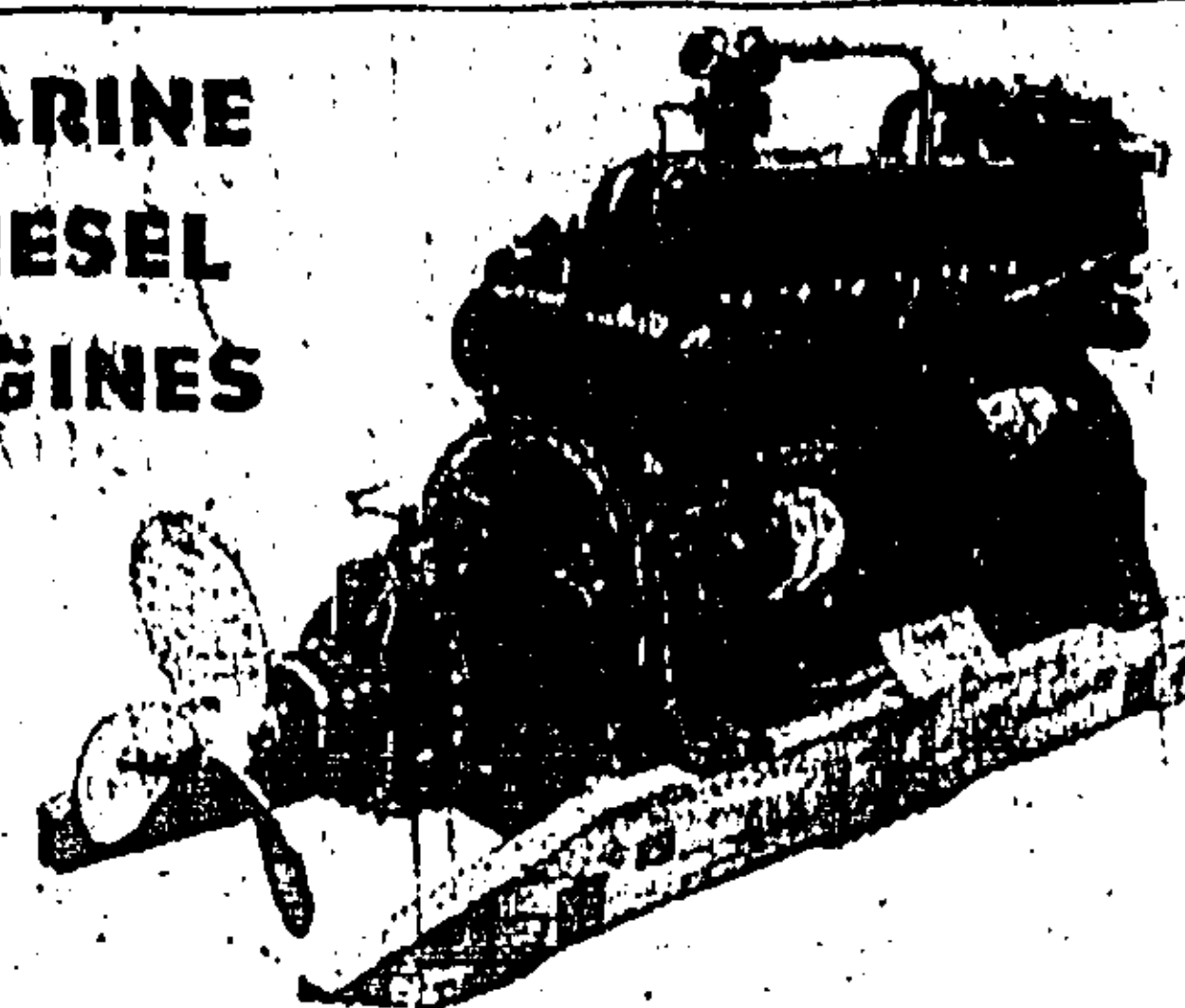
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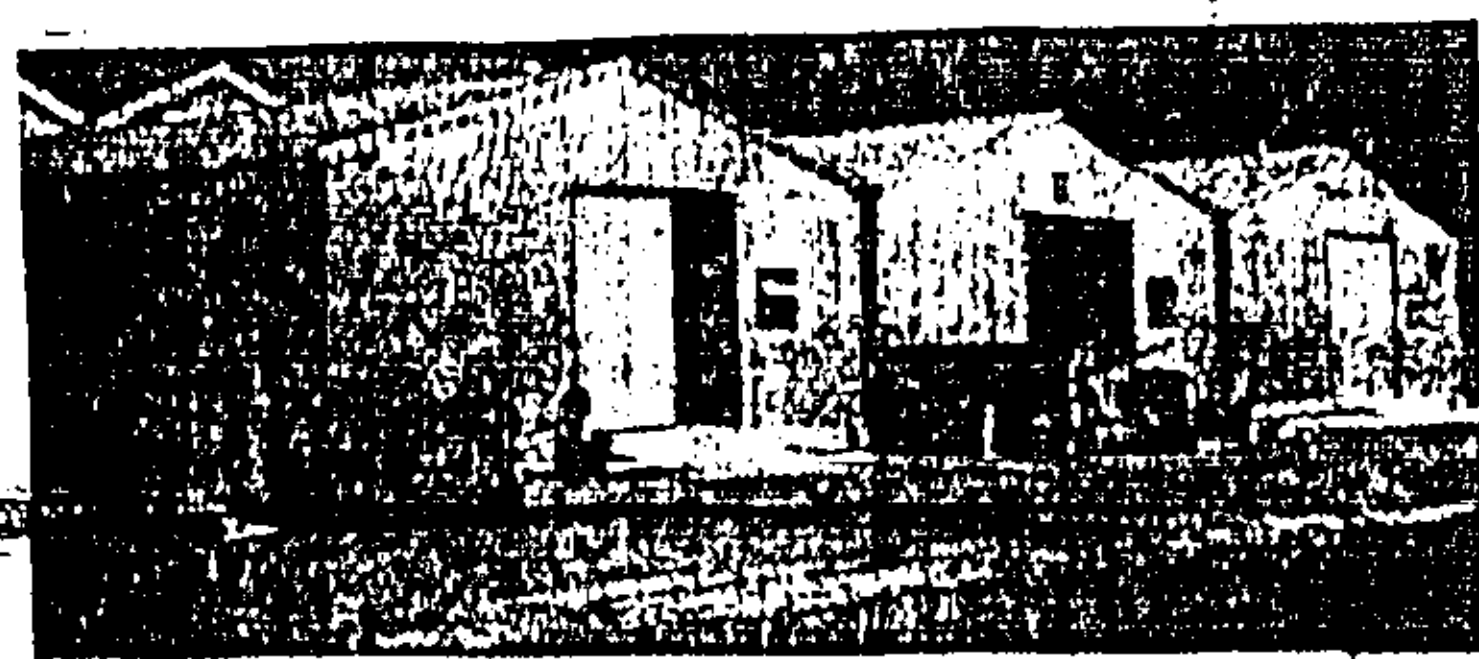


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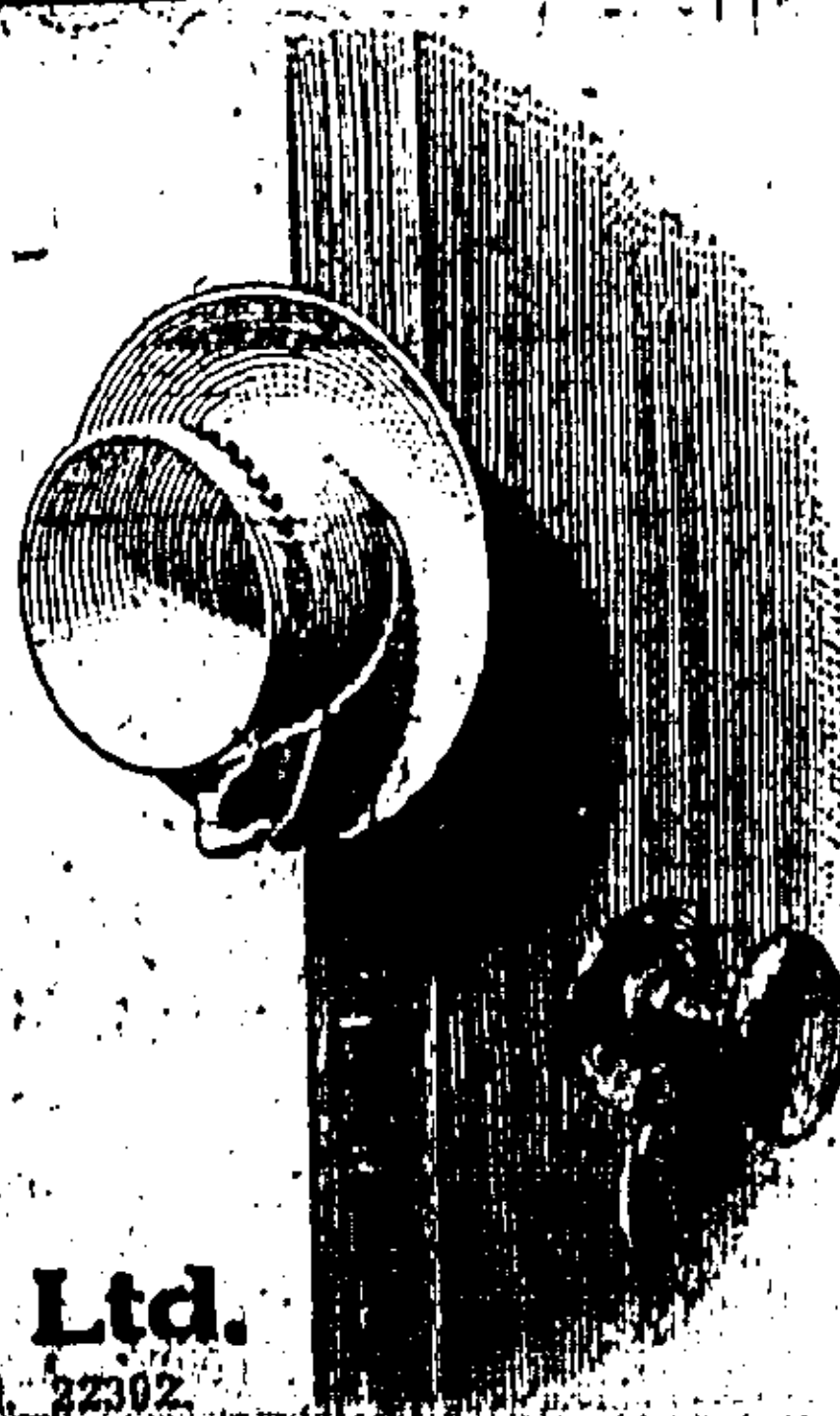
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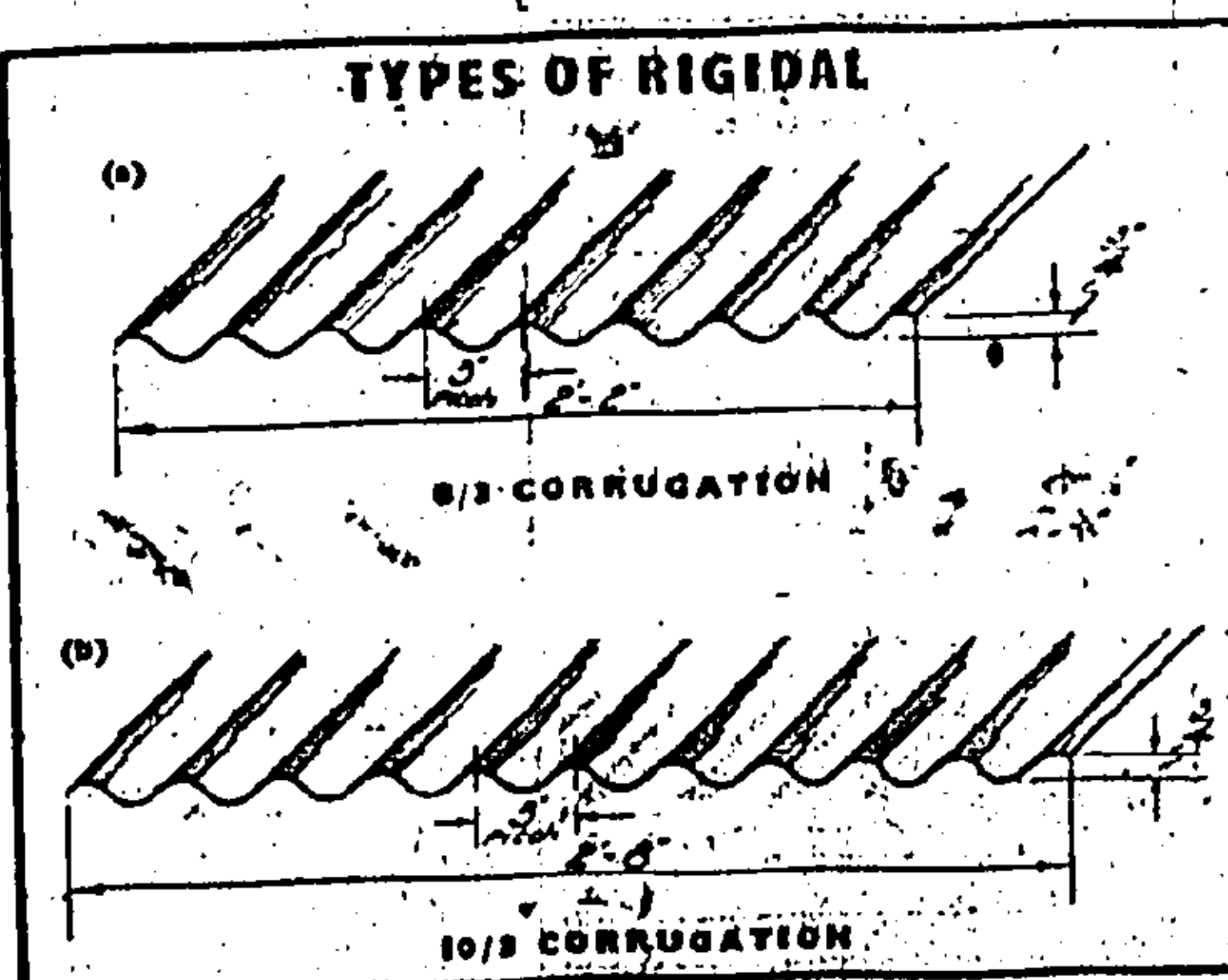
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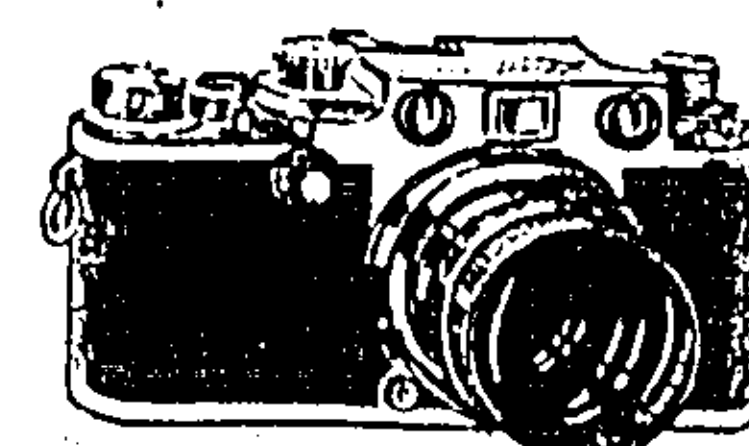
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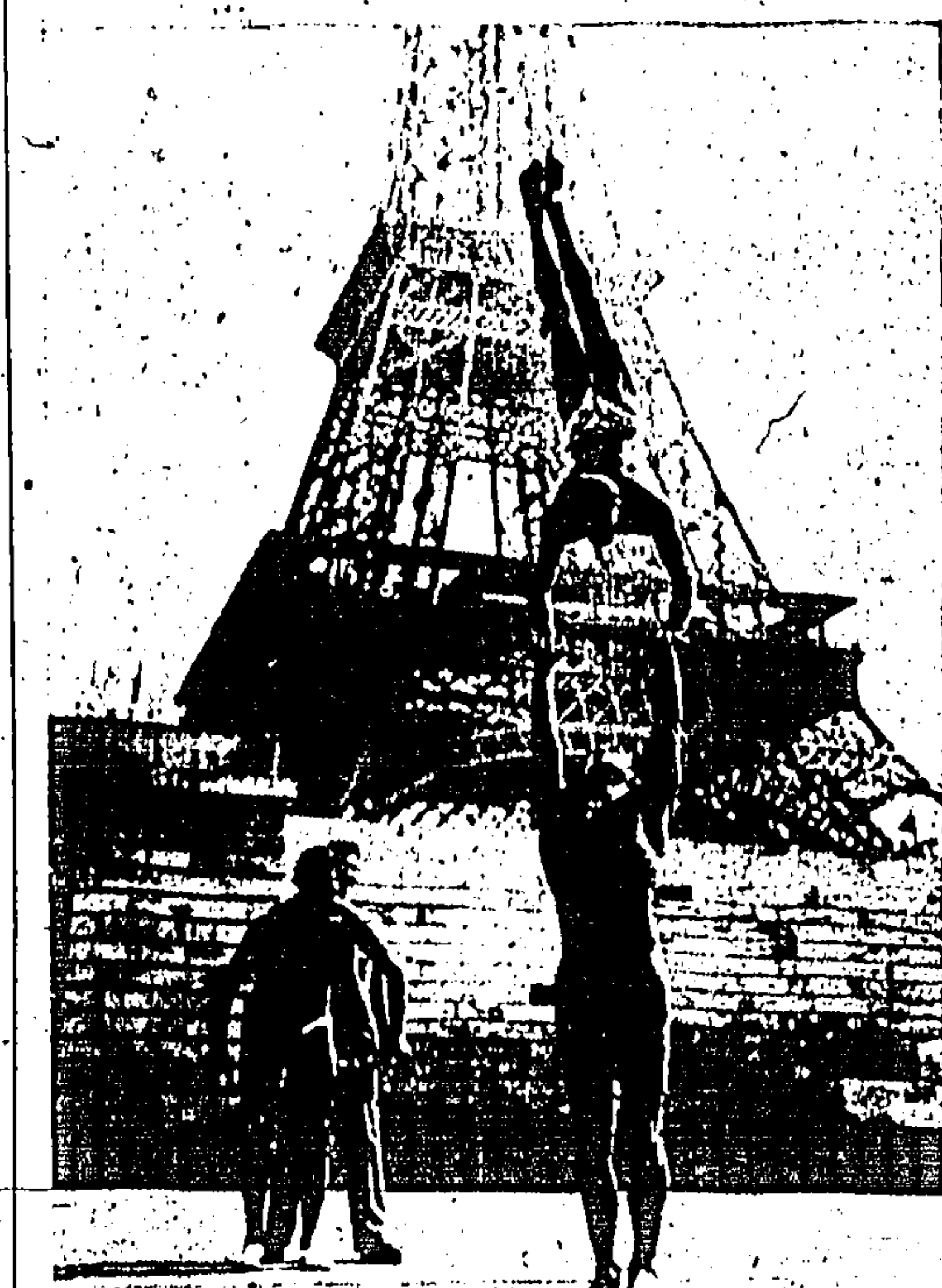
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Good Weather Brings Out Paris Gymnasts



Fine weather in Paris brought out these Gymnasts who perform their feats beneath the Eiffel Tower.—AP photo.

Thomas Mann To Visit Germany With Family

New York, May 10.
Thomas Mann, author and Nobel Prize winner, left LaGuardia airport by airliner today for London with his wife Katharina and daughter Erika. The latter, who is also a writer, is the wife of the British poet W. H. Auden.
Mr. Mann said he would receive an honorary degree from Oxford University and give a series of lectures on the German author Goethe at London University. He said he would then lecture at the Swedish Academy in Stockholm and the University of Lund before flying to Switzerland to open the Goethe Festival there.

Mr. Mann added that he would return to his native Germany after having been exiled by the Nazis so long ago, he said: "It will be a great adventure and a moving experience."

Asked what his feelings were on going back to Germany after having been exiled by the Nazis so long ago, he said: "It will be a great adventure and a moving experience."

Mr. Mann said he would return after five or six weeks to his home in Pacific Palisades, California, near San Francisco, where he has lived since 1938.

His plane arrives at 12 noon London time Wednesday.

SS OFFICER GETS THREE YEARS

Nuremberg, May 10.
Dr. Benno Martin, former SS officer and one-time Police President of Nuremberg, was today sentenced to three years' imprisonment by a Nuremberg High Court for ordering and expediting the wholesale deportation of 5,000 German Jews to virtually certain death in the East during the last war.

Five others accused in the same trial were acquitted.—Reuter.

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U.S. Mistrusted In South Asia, Newspaperman Says

New York, May 10.
Harold Isaacs reported today that the United States was regarded throughout South Asia with baffled confusion, suspicious mistrust or outright hostility.
The Newsweek correspondent, who recently returned from Asia, told his East-West Association audience: "It is an almost universal conviction in high and low places in South Asia that America is ignoring vital problems of South Asia or else views them only myopically through the distorted lens of the cold war and European interests."

"The people in South Asia see that Washington's ineffectual verbal opposition to the French and Dutch colonial wars amounts in the end to tacit or positive support of the French and Dutch. This fact alone, among many others, has largely discredited the hope held by thoughtful nationalists that the United States would join them in partnership to rebuild South Asia on a wholly new basis."

"Even nationalists most inclined to the U.S. asked me recently: 'How are we to understand what America is up to?' Issues said the only outspoken friends of America one encountered in most South Asian countries were businessmen with get-rich-quick ideas, who plied for U.S. dollar credits, or politicians who thought they could cash in by screaming loudly enough about the Communist menace."

"Neither type has much to offer the people... All they can do is lead their countries down the way of social and economic frustration until they reach the crossroads, leading one way toward Communist totalitarianism or the other way toward Right Wing tyranny."

Narrow Conceptions

"The fallacy of the narrow nationalist conceptions and grasping businessmen and bureaucrats is already apparent in the widespread phenomenon of corruption which is endemic in the governments of the Philippines and Siam and already alarmingly present at some levels in India's new regime."

"This sort of thing has already created dangerous moods of apathetic distrust among the people who had hoped for something

much better from the achievement of independence. The central fact is that there is as yet very little coming to grips with the social and economic problems of the people, there is as yet very little understanding that South Asia must pull itself up by its bootstraps on a regional scale or else suffer frustration within various new national boundaries."

"From this situation the Communists reap the major benefit. Russia manages to enjoy considerable prestige as an anti-imperialist power. The facts of Russian empire-building in Eastern Europe and North-East China are dismissed as Anglo-American propaganda for the most part even by non-Communist or anti-Communist nationalists."

"Ideologically, the Communists have a growing influence on both international and domestic grounds and only their own stupidity in pursuing an ultra-leftist insurrectionary course since last year has prevented them from making much greater gains."
"It is late, but not too late, for the United States to give not only support to the nationalists, putting an end to the last vestiges of imperialist rule, but also to enter a dynamic plan for South Asia to start coping with fundamental problems of the area and the people."—United Press.

Formation Of Asian Labour Group In June

New Delhi, May 11.
The formation of a non-Communist Asian Federation of Labour will take place at Geneva, Switzerland, in June, a Preparatory Committee said on Tuesday.

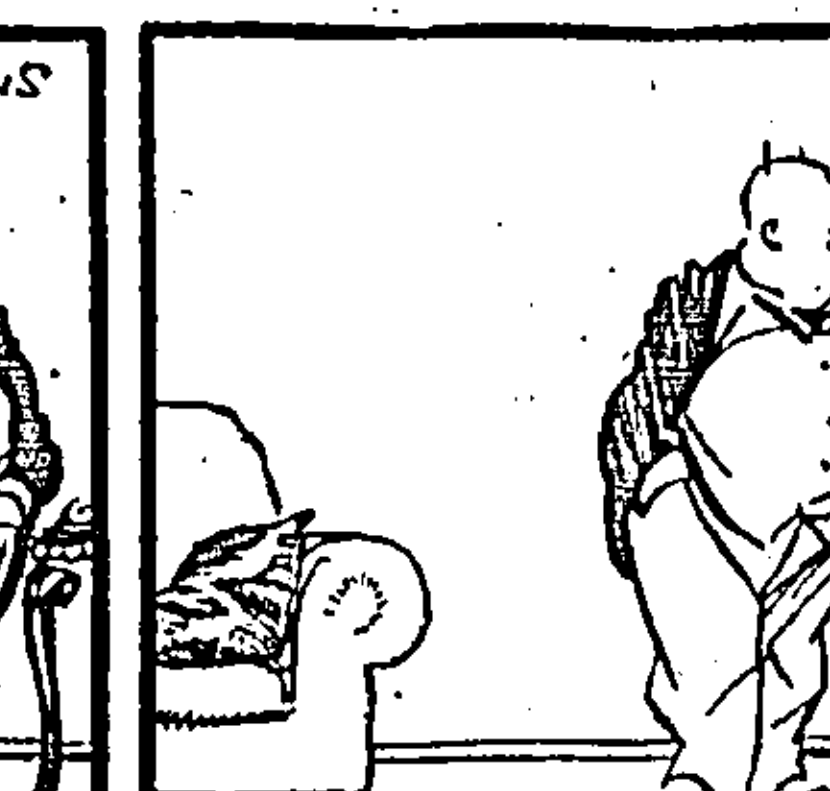
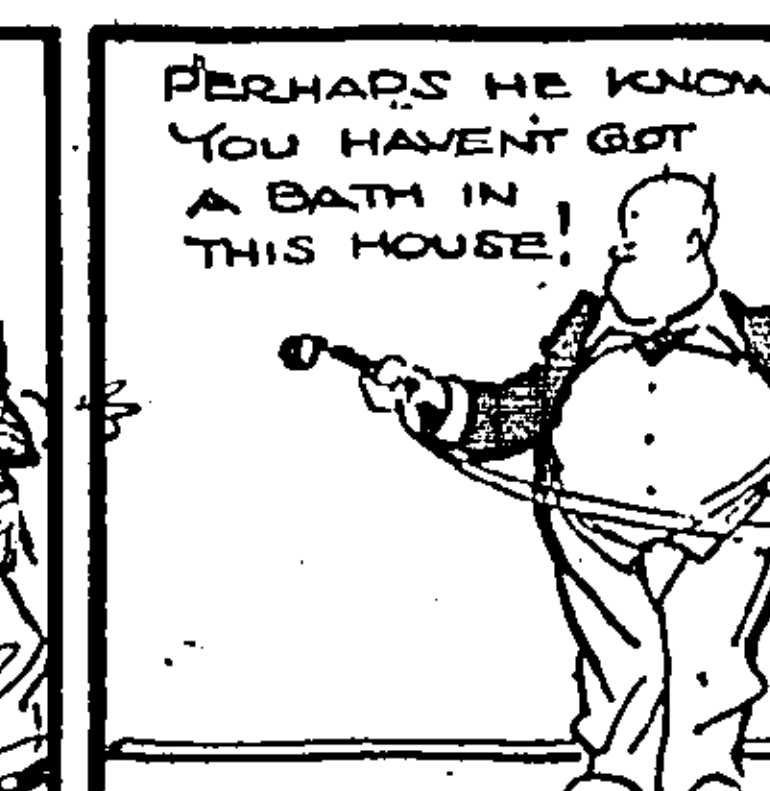
The Asian Federation is likely to consider the problems of under development in Asian countries and struggles for independence being waged in some of them.

It is expected to affiliate with the new World Labour Organisation which the American Federation of Labour, the Congress of Industrial Organizations of the U.S. and the British Trade Union Congress propose to organize.

This group would oppose the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) which Western trade union leaders accuse of being Communist led.

Countries represented on a regional Asian Committee to draft a constitution for the new organization are: India, Pakistan, Turkey, Iran, Burma, Indonesia and the Philippines. Britain and the United States were represented at the Indo Preparatory Committee meeting by observers.
Nearly 4,000 delegates from different parts of India are meeting this month for the second annual session of the Indian National Trade Union Congress. They are assessing the labour situation on the subcontinent and working out a joint plan to better labour conditions.—Associated Press.

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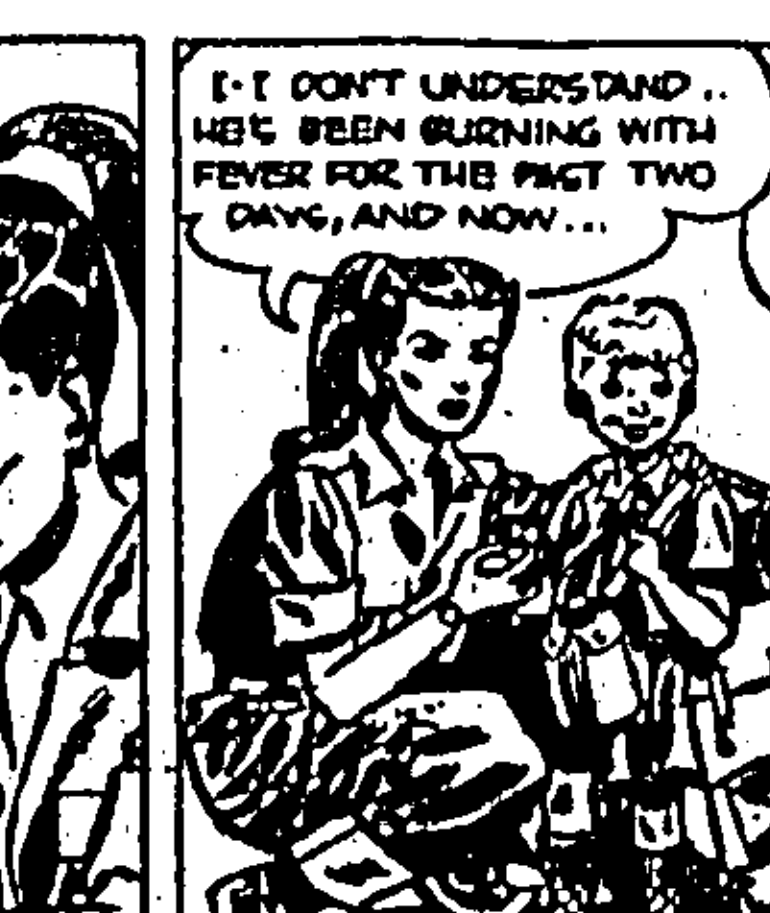
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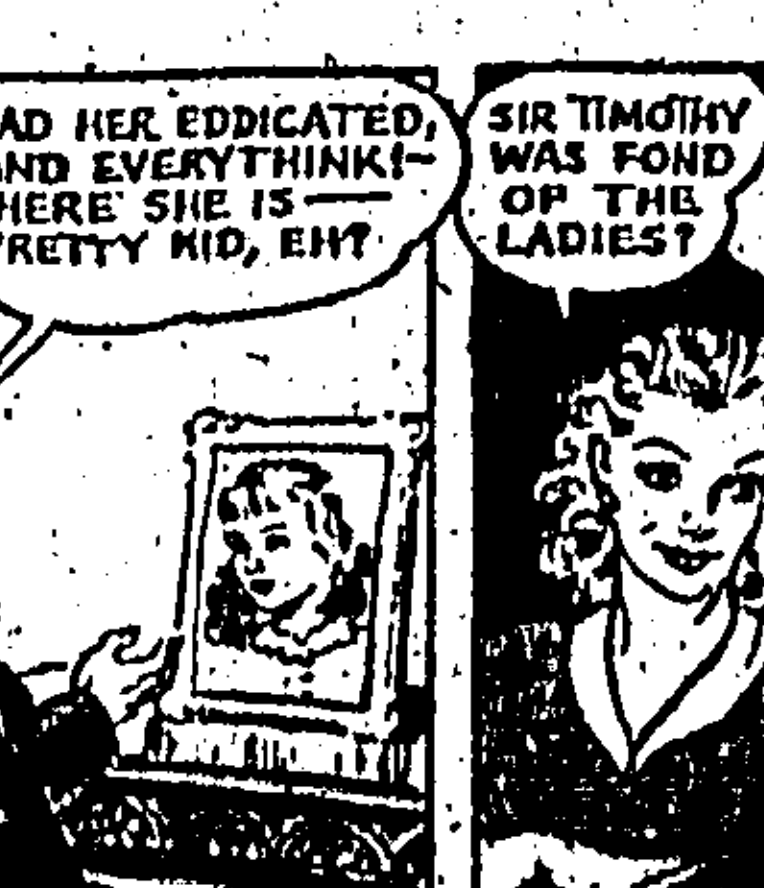


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NOTE with the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for Loading on board by ship's sling only.

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New U.S. Drug Resembles African Witch Medicine

San Francisco, May 10.

A drug resembling one used by African witch doctors to kill or cure "bowitched" tribesmen has been developed by American scientists to treat certain nerve diseases.

The new compound is a derivative of pyridine, an old standby used to quiet spasms and slow the heartbeat. But it is different in that it acts like physostigmine, the witch doctor potion.

TRUMAN KNOWS HIS BIBLE

Washington, May 11.

Dr. Isaac Herzog, chief Rabbi of Israel, read Psalm 120 to President Harry Truman in Hebrew yesterday after which the President opened his own Bible and read the same passage in English.

Dr. Herzog described this to journalists after the White House meeting.

Psalm 120 tells of the joy of the Hebrews over their release from captivity.

The Rabbi said he referred to a speaking tour on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, and he and Mr. Truman did not discuss the political aspects of the problem of Israel. They discussed other matters.

Knows The Bible

"He knows his Bible," the Rabbi said.

"Then he impressed you as a religious man?" Journalists asked.

"Absolutely," replied the Rabbi. "It was like two sparrows meeting. He is permeated with prophetic ideas and the Bible is very much of the fabric of his thought."

Dr. Herzog was accompanied to the White House by Eliahu Eliahu, Israel's Ambassador.

The Rabbi said, "I came to pay my respects to the greatest friend of the great nation and convey the deep gratitude of Jews all over the world, particularly those in Israel, for what the President has done for Israel."

"At the same time I asked the President to convey to the Jewish citizens of America our profound thanks for the help they have given and are giving to the United Jewish Appeal," Associated Press.

Five Months For Larceny

Chow Chen-ching was sentenced to five months by Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday on two counts of larceny. The case was first heard in the morning and was remanded for sentence.

On January 4, defendant posed as the manager of the Tung Nam Firm, New Territories, and asked for an interview with the manager of a firm situated in Room 708 Bank of East Asia Building. The interview was not granted.

Defendant went back the following day and stole HK\$7,740 from the cashier's drawer. Defendant was also charged with stealing a wallet containing HK\$307.80 from Room 211, China Building in November last year.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.—Daily Programme Summary, 12.30 p.m.—"From the Film."

1.00 p.m.—Mantovani and His Orchestra.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—"Orchestra of the Week" with Concertgebouw Orchestra and Keith Falkner (Baritone) as Guest Artist.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—Children's Story: "Matilda Mouse" by Dora Browne (HBC).

6.02 p.m.—"Down Beat Disc" Presented by Paul Stuart (Studio).

6.03 p.m.—"La Demi-Heure Francophone" (Studio).

6.04 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).

6.05 p.m.—Vocal Recital by Molly Dirks (Contralto) with Piano accompaniment by Betty Brown (Studio).

6.06 p.m.—(T.M.A.) (HBC).

6.07 p.m.—"From the Editorial" (London Relay).

6.08 p.m.—World Theatre—Orchestra by William Shakespeare Adapted for Broadcasting by Mr. Ridley.

(HBC) With Jack Hawkins, John Clements, Margaret Leighton, and Fay Compton. Produced by Val Olegrud. Acts 1 and 2.

10.31 p.m.—Coleridge—Taylor—Three dream dances—London Palace.

10.32 p.m.—Thursday Serenade—A Programme of Continous Music.

11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).

11.01 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.

11.02 p.m.—Close Down.

Dr. H. M. Wuest and Dr. E. H. Sakuma, the Warner Institute for Therapeutic Research, New York City, told the American Chemical Society about it.

Physostigmine comes from the calabar bean, a poisonous tropical plant. It became known as the "witch doctors" fed it to witch suspects. If they were free of the curse.

More than 50 different kinds of drugs resembling this "witch doctors" were synthesized. Dr. Wuest said. They act on the para-sympathetic nervous system, which regulates glands and other internal organs. The best of the lot, was named stigmine.

It is useful in treating stomach and intestinal upset after operations and is less toxic than the calabar bean extract, Dr. Wuest reported.

Cancer-Causing Agent

Attempts to isolate a fantastically potent cancer-causing agent in mice were reported by Dr. Cyrus B. Berman, Jr., Dr. Robert A. Huseby and Dr. John J. Blittner of the University of Minnesota Medical School.

This is a virus-like agent. Scientists have known about it for many years. It can cause cancer in young mice which nurse a cancerous mother. The amount of this stuff in a single diseased mouse is sufficient to cause cancer in several million other mice, the researchers said.

They have traced this substance down to a protein-fat component of mouse tissue, but said further breakdown would be necessary to get the substance in anywhere near pure form.

Once the substance is purified, it may yield new light on the cause of breast cancer.—Associated Press.

Sino-British Club Meeting

An unusual meeting of the Sino-British Club will take place tomorrow.

A Brains Trust, the theme of which will be a comparison of the Chinese and Western ways of life, will provide entertainment and instruction with a distinguished panel of "Brains."

Sir Man-chun Lo will be the Guest of Honor.

The Trust will include a number of Hong Kong personalities. Among them will be Mrs. A.H. Bentley, formerly Miss Leung, a graduate of Oxford University, Mr. John Barrow, Commissioner, New Territories, Mr. John Blotfeld, a scholar in the Chinese language in the history of Buddhism in China and India, Mr. S.L. Yen, an authority on Buddhism, and Mr. W. Gordon Harmon, Public Relations Officer.

The meeting will be open to the public, who are cordially invited by the Sino-British Club to attend at 5.30 p.m. at the Cosmo Club, Pottinger Street.

Paintings Exhibition

An exhibition of paintings by Mr. Yau Wing-chin, Chinese artist, will be held at Hotel Cecil on Saturday.

The exhibition will be open to the public free of charge for four days.

Mr. Yau Wing-chin held his first exhibition here when the Sino-British Association was inaugurated. The proceeds from the sale of paintings then were donated to a fund for establishing a library for the Association.

Workers Sick After Dinner

Forty-three workers of the Wei Lun Weaving Factory felt sick after lunch on Wednesday. The main "in charge" of the factory sent for ambulances which took the workers to the Leitchok and Kowloon Hospitals. Six of the workers of both sexes were detained while the remainder were allowed to go home after medical treatment.

my. REINHOLT IN PORT

With a cracked plate, the my. Reinholt entered port yesterday after successfully surviving typhoon weather en route from Takai Bar.

The vessel went into Kowloon Dock last evening to be surveyed.

NEW BLOCK IN HOSPITAL

The Wymon block of the Methodist Hospital at Fatsan will be officially opened on May 22, at Man Cheung She, Fatsan.

Picture With HK Background

Progress is being made on the film. Twentieth Century-Fox intend to produce a film in Hong Kong in September under the direction of Otto Preminger. It was learned yesterday.

The rough story outline has been completed and a start will be made on the screen play soon.

Richard Widmark, who will star in the film. He has just finished the leading role in "Down to the Sea in Ships."

The leading actress will probably be Michelle Presle, a French woman who has just been signed by Twentieth Century-Fox.

There is also a leading part for an English actor—someone of the calibre of David Niven—and four leading parts for Chinese actors to be cast in Hong Kong.

SS. WANGSANG

ARRIVES

The ss. Wangsang which left Shanghai on May 1st, arrived yesterday from Shanghai with 537 tons of general cargo, mostly personal effects.

She brought 24 Europeans, 32 first-class Chinese passengers, and 308 deck passengers.

Among the arrivals were Messrs. J.M. Ferrer, J. Gunn, and C. Ritchie, Dr. and Mrs. E.T. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Buchanan, and Mrs. R.A. Harris.

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Outward Air Mail to Europe, Africa and the East will close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. It will close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

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GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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Closing Times by Sea Swatow and Amoy, 1 p.m.

Japan, 5 p.m.

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Batavia, Sourabaya and Macassar, 8 p.m.

Swatow, Ceylon, Madras, Bombay, Aden, Egypt and Europe via London, (Reg.) 5 p.m., (Reg.) 9 a.m. 12/5, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. 12/6.

FRIDAY, MAY 12 Closing Times by Air

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Airmail for Hongkong; Airmail for Poochow, (Reg.) 5 p.m., (Ord.) 8.30 p.m.

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Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small parcel posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea Japan, 10 a.m.

Hankow, Peking via Hothow and Rangoon, 11 a.m.

Swatow and Amoy, Noon.

Swatow, 2 p.m.

CHINA REDS TRAINED IN MOSCOW

New York, May 11.

A court witness testified on Tuesday that an American Communist official said in 1945 that leaders in the Chinese Red Army were being taught in Russia.

The testimony came from Mr. William Cummings, American negro and Federal Bureau of Investigation worker in the Communist party for six years. He was a witness in the trial of 11 high American Communists.

Mr. Cummings spent most of the day telling about party classes he attended in Chicago in December, 1945. He quoted George Siskind, then National Educational Director of the party, as saying:

"Confidentially, I tell you the leaders in the Chinese Red Army are being taught in Russia at the present time and are being given leadership by Russian military heads."

Lenin teaches that in Russia "during the revolution, they had streets of blood. In America also, before we achieve peace, the streets will run red with blood."

"Eighty four per cent of the (U.S.) national wealth is owned by approximately 62 families."

"The negro people would have to determine whether they wanted to establish a negro state in the South."—Associated Press.

Boy Guilty Of Larceny

A sentence of 10 strokes of the cane and deportation for 10 years was imposed on a 16-year-old boy, when he was charged with larceny by servant before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

The prosecution stated that defendant had been in the Colony for 13 days. He registered at an employment bureau where he was introduced to the complainant, a woman, Luk Chun, of No. 103 Nan Chang Street, second floor. Defendant was then engaged as a house cooler at the above address and earned a salary of \$20 a month.

On Tuesday, the complainant heard someone leaving the house by the street door. She failed to find defendant on the premises, and at the same time, an electric sewing machine, valued at about \$1,000 was missing from its stand on the verandah. Luk immediately reported to the Police.

Defendant was later arrested at the Tai Hing Sewing Machine Shop where he was trying to sell the machine top.

Ng Kwong Has A Case To Answer

The case of Ng Kwong, who was charged with larceny by baillee of 240 bundles of white hemp, was continued yesterday before Mr. Thomas Tam. The goods were entrusted to him to transport from Canton to Hong Kong.

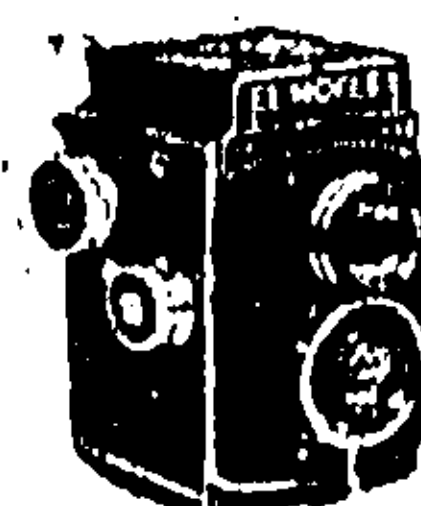
DSI Roberts conducted the prosecution and Mr. A. el Arculli was for the defence.

In his submission that his client had no case to answer, Mr. Arculli said that defendant was never a baillee. There was not the slightest indication that he was. The goods were entrusted to a fook un and were transported from Canton to Shek-ki. The fook took delivery and not the defendant. Defendant was not in charge of the goods.

The goods were pledged by Li Fai. The first occasion Li Fai received \$5,000 and the second occasion another \$4,000. The defendant had nothing to do with the pledging of the goods.

Mr. Tam after going through some part of the evidence held that the defendant had a case to answer and hearing was adjourned to Friday at 2.30 p.m.

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EXCITEMENT IN CRICKET FINALE

London, May 10.

There were some exciting finishes in the County cricket matches which ended today. A grand day's cricket at Lords ended with Middlesex avoiding defeat from Nottinghamshire with one wicket intact. Middlesex, set to make 222 in two hours 35 minutes, needed to average 86 runs an hour. Their effort to beat the clock nearly cost them the match. They required 25 when stumps were drawn.

In forcing a draw Middlesex had to thank their last pair, Jack Young and Leslie Compton, for batting out the final five minutes. Leslie Compton developed a painful ankle while keeping wicket. He went to hospital and came back on crutches. Compton batted to the wicket with George Mann as his runner. The final over, a maiden sent down by Jepson, was played by Leslie Compton with nine of the 20th batsman within five yards of the batsman.

With eight minutes left for play, Sussex gained a well-deserved victory over Lancashire at Manchester by 95 runs. Set to get 205 to win in three hours, Lancashire adopted a semi-defensive role. Cyril Washbrook, brilliantly caught at forward mid-off by John Oakes of 130 in one hour 45 minutes, but the rest of the side failed miserably. Four wickets fell at one period for 10 runs.

No batsman in England can feel more satisfied than John Langridge. 39-year-old Sussex opening bat and younger of the two brothers in the side, he scored his second century in the match and third in successive innings. Counting the hundred he scored in the two-day friendly match with Hampshire, so far this season he has obtained four centuries in five matches.

Today, he emulated J. T. Tyldesley and W. Pince (Lancashire), P. Holmes and E. Lester (Yorkshire) and Denis Compton (Middlesex) by setting two separate hundreds in a match at Old Trafford.

Complete Master
In obtaining 120 out of 240 in three hours 20 minutes Langridge was the complete master of the Lancashire attack. He hit one six and 15 fours. Altogether in the match he scored 244 runs.

Gloucestershire continued to display a fighting resistance at Birmingham and Warwickshire were hard pressed to win by six wickets, with only 35 minutes to spare.

Bursts Of Barreling
At Cardiff, hopes of a sporting finish failed because of Hampshire's refusal to accept Glamorgan's challenge to get 276 to win in 220 minutes. The big third day crowd, frustrated by the stubbornness of the Hampshire batting, indulged in frequent bursts of barracking.

The match ended in a draw with Glamorgan taking points for first innings lead. Although three declarations came made at the game at Cardiff no definite result could be reached. Essex wanted a further 58 runs with four wickets in hand when play concluded.

Before the Cambridge University second innings was closed, John Davies made 58 and brought his total for the match to 262 without being beaten.

Results

The results of games ended today were:
At Birmingham: Warwickshire beat Gloucestershire by 6 wickets. Gloucestershire 84 and 347 (Allen 89, Townsend 5 for 27); Warwickshire 269 and 166 for 4 (Dollery 63 not out).

At Cardiff: Glamorgan drew with Hampshire. Glamorgan 337 and 189 for 4 declared (E. Davies 30, Parkhouse 55, Heath 5 for 200); Hampshire 242 and 180 for 5.
At Manchester: Sussex beat Lancashire by 95 runs. Sussex 337 and 240 for 2 declared (John Langridge 129, C. Oakes 89 not out); Lancashire 293 and 189 (Washbrook 87).

At Cambridge: Cambridge University drew with Essex. Cambridge 441 for one declared and 142 for 3 declared (Dowes 56 not out); Essex 304 for 3 declared (Insole 4 for 19) and 222 for 6 (Gray 51, Morris 68).
At Leeds: Middlesex drew with Nottinghamshire. Nottingham 304 and 225 (Keston 50, Hardstaff 69, Gray 3 for 21); Middlesex 309 for 7 declared and 197 for 9 (Edrich 68, Sims 4 for 51).—Reuter.

SKI CONGRESS MEETING

Oslo, May 10.
Japanese and German participation in activities of the International Ski Federation Congress will be on the executive committee's agenda when the committee meets here on Wednesday.

Other questions concern stricter definition of amateurism, Russian election to the executive committee and problems concerning the 1952 Olympics.—United Press.

English Team In Stockholm

Stockholm, May 10.

Twenty-six members of the Football Association party which will play full international matches with Sweden, Norway and France, as well as "B" team matches against Finland and Holland during the next fortnight, arrived here in two planes today from London. All reported fit and well after a smooth flight of about 1,000 miles with one brief halt at Copenhagen.

Twenty-three players, including England's Captain, Billy Wright, of Wolverhampton Wanderers, were in one aircraft with Walter Winterbottom, England team manager.
In the other plane, with Football Association officials and sports writers, were three more players, Roy Bentley of Chelsea, Harry Cockburn and Jack Astom, both of Manchester United.

Winterbottom, before leaving, said the players' hope to uphold England's football prestige. The games against Finland and Holland will give us a chance to blood our young players.

England's matches on the tour are:
May 15, versus Finland at Helsinki.
May 16, versus Norway at Oslo and versus Holland at Amsterdam.
May 22 versus France at Paris.—Reuter and Associated Press.

RECORD FLIGHT POSTPONED

London, May 10.
A bid by a Hawker Fury light plane to break the London-Rome and London-Karachi records was today again postponed for the second time in 24 hours.

The start is now due at 3.30 a.m. GMT on Thursday. The Hawker Fury, which is to be delivered to the Pakistan Air Force, was first due to start early today, but the departure was postponed.

"The slight technical hitch has been overcome," the makers explained today, "but the weather in the East end of the Mediterranean is improving and we, therefore, hope to take advantage of the better conditions promised by postponing the attempt another 24 hours.—Reuter.

SOCCER GAME POSTPONED

The Second Round game in the Victory Shield Soccer Competition between Combined Services and Combined Chinese was postponed yesterday.
It is understood that the game will now be played at the same time and place on May 18.

Loyalty Fans May See Game Free

New York, May 10.

Little Mickey Haefner of Washington Senators gave 6/208 Cleveland fans the biggest bargain of their lives today when he pitched a one hit 1-0 shutout over Indians in a "free game" for which all customers got "freeze tickets".

It was so cold in Cleveland Municipal Stadium that boss Bill Veeck decided to reward the loyalty fans who braved the elements by announcing they all would be admitted free to any future game.

While they were shivering, the Washington left-hander, once rejected as a big Leaguer because he was too small, was pitching the hottest game of his career. But there was not the usual suspense of a near no-hitter.
Cleveland centre fielder Larry Doby took the pressure off in the very first inning when he hit a clean single to right. Thereafter Haefner gave not a semblance of a hit, although in the ninth the same troublesome Doby was nipped with a pitched ball and got around to third on a sacrifice and an infield out. But Mickey bore down and retired the dangerous Ken Keltner to end the game. He walked four batters and another reached first safely on Eddie Robinson's error.

Creditable Game

Steve Gromek pitched a creditable game in defeat, scattering seven hits, but he was not up to Haefner. Senators, who scored their eighth straight victory over their Western road trip, got their winning run in the fourth on Sherry Robertson's single, a walk and Robinson's single.

Gerald Friddy ended the 10-game losing streak of Browns and he walked until the last of the ninth to do it, hitting a home run that netted a 2-1 victory over the uncertain Red Sox.

Today's scores were:
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Washington Senators 11, Cleveland Indians 7.
Senators: p. Haefner; c. Evans. Indians: p. Gromek; c. Garcia; c. Hegan, Tresh.
Boston Red Sox 1, St. Louis Browns 4.
Red Sox: p. Stobbs; c. Batts. Browns: p. Embree; c. Moss.
New York Yankees 9, Detroit Tigers 0.
Yankees: p. Reynolds; c. Niarhod. Tigers: p. Newhouse; c. Kretlow; c. Robinson; c. Wolff.
—United Press.

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